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Labour Wins L.C.C. Election

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THAT LABOUR HAS HELD ITS MAJORITY IN THE LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL IS CONSIDERED CERTAIN AS A RESULT OF THE ELECTION RESULTS HITHERTO DECLARED.

With 94 seats announced out of a total of 124, the position of the parties is entirely unchanged.

The present state of the parties is Labour 54, Municipal Reformers 40.

Labour gained two seats at Stoke Newington but the Municipal Reformers recaptured two at West Woolwich.

Earl Beatty gained a victory at Peckham for the Municipal Reformers, but Labour evened matters at Central Wandsworth.

In other divisions the representation shows no change.

HEAVIER POLLING

Polling has been far heavier than during the last County Council elections in 1934.

A Fascist challenge to Labour in Shoreditch was unsuccessful.

The parties at the last election were Labour 69, Municipal Reformers 55.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Labour leader, predicts a Labour majority in the new Council.—Reuter.

JAPANESE PENETRATION IN CHARHAR

Military Affairs Commission

Shanghai, To-day.

As a further move towards consolidating the Manchukuo conquest of Northern Chahar, the Chinese press this morning forecasts the creation of an (independent) military affairs commission under the aegis of the Japanese Kwantung Army with headquarters at Changpei.

Leading Mongolian and Manchukuoan chieftains, including Prince Teh, will be invited to serve on the commission.

The Chinese press adds that twenty-four Japanese or Manchukuoan aeroplanes are stationed at Changpei, where the airfield is being rapidly enlarged.—Reuter.

NO MAN'S LAND OF FINAL FUTILITY

Mr. Roosevelt's Caustic Supreme Court Comment

CATCH-AS-CATCH-CAN TO BE TERMINATED

Washington, To-day.

"The United States to-day faces a crisis fundamentally even greater than that of four years ago," declared President Roosevelt in a reply to critics of his judicial reform proposals.

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE WAS SPEAKING AT THE VICTORY DINNER OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN WASHINGTON LAST NIGHT.

THE SUCCESS OF DEMOCRACY IN THE UNITED STATES WAS ENDANGERED BY THE FAILURE OF THE SUPREME COURT TO PULL TOGETHER IN THE "THREE HORSE TEAM OF THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT."

THE PRESIDENT MAINTAINED THAT THE SUPREME COURT HAD CREATED A "NO-MAN'S LAND OF FINAL FUTILITY."

He defied anyone to read the decisions of the Supreme Court invalidating the New Deal laws and then say exactly what, if anything, they could do, in this session of Congress, for agricultural and industrial workers, to prevent flood and drought, and generate cheap power, with any reasonable certainty that what they did would not be nullified as unconstitutional.

President Roosevelt urged that they should remove these doubts and difficulties.

He added, "Floods, droughts, agricultural surpluses, strikes and industrial confusion and disorder cannot be handled for ever on a catch-as-catch-can basis.

"If we would make democracy succeed we must act now."—Reuter.

TWO DIE IN MID-AIR SMASH

Zurich, To-day.

Two were killed when two Swiss military aeroplanes came into collision in mid-air during manoeuvres which were being carried out at a high altitude near Zurich yesterday.

One pilot succeeded in jumping clear of his plane with the intention of making a parachute descent. The falling machine, however, fell on top of the parachute, which had already opened.

The other plane crashed at almost the same spot, the occupant not having succeeded in jumping clear.—Trans-Ocean.

Trade and Empire Unity

MR. CHAMBERLAIN ON PREFERENCES

London, To-day.

In a speech at a luncheon in London yesterday, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said he looked upon trade agreements with the Dominions not only as economically advantageous but as a means of securing the Empire's common aims and ideals.

If Britain were to separate herself from the rest of Dominions by changing her policy of Imperial preference, it would endanger the structure of the commonwealth of nations and undermine, if not destroy, all that sense of unity which had so powerfully impressed the world.

If the British Empire went to pieces, the world would lose one of the strongest bulwarks for peace which it possessed to-day.—British Wireless.

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LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the depression, which is now of great intensity, has moved to the North-East of Hokkaido; a feeble anti-cyclone covers the Eastern and Yellow Sea, and a continental depression is indicated to the north of the Upper Yangtse.

Forecast:—E. and S. E. winds, moderate; cloudy generally.

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HUNGER RIOTS BREAK OUT IN MADRID

VIVID STORY IN UNCENSORED DESPATCH TO LONDON

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE GAUNT SPECTRE OF STARVATION WHICH HAS BEEN HANGING OVER THE BELEAGUERED TROOPS AND CIVILIANS IN MADRID IS DRIVING THE POPULATION TO BREAKING POINT.

THIS IS REVEALED IN AN UNCENSORED DESPATCH FROM THE OLD CAPITAL BY THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE "DAILY TELEGRAPH."

HUNGER RIOTS, HE SAYS, ARE BREAKING OUT DAILY AND THE AUTHORITIES HAVE HAD TO WITHDRAW MILITIA FROM THE TRENCHES TO KEEP PEACE ON THE HOME FRONT.

Rolls Royce Factory Strike

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry is seriously concerned over a large-scale strike which has broken out in the world-famous Rolls Royce factory.

Out of a force of 5,500 workers roughly 3,500 have laid down tools and refuse to return to work.

Great Britain's rearmament programme is at the back of the strike.

The Rolls Royce Company manufactures, even in normal times, a high proportion of the aeroplane engines used in the Royal Air Force.

Now with the speeding up of British armament, the workers in the factory have had a certain amount of extra work forced on them.

Not having received extra pay or compensation of any sort the men have downed tools and state they will stay out until their grievances are remedied.

Some newspapers, however, express the hope that the Government will intervene and that a settlement will be reached before the end of this week.—Trans-Ocean.

ISIS THEATRE INCIDENT

Chinese Protesting In Rome

Shanghai, To-day.

Disatisfied with the reply of the Italian Consul-General at Shanghai with regard to the incident at the Isis Theatre, Mr. Liu Men-tu, Chinese Ambassador to Italy, has been instructed by the Chinese Foreign Ministry to lodge a protest with the Italian Foreign Office.—Our Own Correspondent.

AUSTRIA BANS GERMAN PAPER AS REPRISAL

Vienna, To-day.

The sale and distribution of the German newspaper "Frankfurter Zeitung" has been forbidden throughout Austria.

The reason for the ban is officially stated to be that "several

Officially, the correspondent says, each person in Madrid is entitled to a daily ration of 300 grammes of bread.

Only a lucky few, however, have ever managed to obtain even this small ration.

Other foodstuffs are also extremely scarce, such as it is obtainable being sold at prices beyond the reach of all but the most wealthy.

BOMBING THE CAUSE

The correspondent attributes this state of affairs to the efficient bombing of the insurgent planes, who have turned the Madrid-Valencia road into a death trap.

On a tour of a section of the road yesterday he saw between thirty and forty lorries which had been jettisoned beside the road after being hit either by bombs or machine-gun bullets from the air.

The lorries contained various foodstuffs which have been left to rot.

The situation, he concludes, has reached an acutely critical stage.

OVIEDO ATTACK CHECKED

Meanwhile reports published in the Paris newspapers state that the loyalist attack on Oviedo has been held up at San Claudio.

Hundreds of prisoners are reported to have been taken by the rebels.

Another attack by Government militia on the Jarama River front is also reported to have been repulsed, with heavy losses to the attackers.

DUTCH DECISION

From Amsterdam comes a telegram stating that the newspapers expect the Netherlands Government to prohibit the shipping of war materials to Spain.

This follows the seizure, and subsequent release, of Dutch steamer "Rambon" by the rebels who confiscated its entire cargo of war materials.—Trans-Ocean.

COST OF ARAB DISORDERS

London, To-day.

The total extraordinary expenditure caused by the strengthening of the British garrison in Palestine during the disorders there last year was £1,400,000.

This was announced in the supplementary estimates of the Colonial Office submitted in the House of Commons yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

Austrian papers have recently been banned in Germany for unknown reasons.—Trans-Ocean.

THE WORLD GOES BY

"Eet ees no use. I haif a vire less sending set in my stocking," said La Carioca after Ulysses (remember?), the special China Mail espionage correspondent, had cut the telephone wire in her luxurious suite in the Peninsula Hotel, thus cutting the glamorous (but none the less dangerous) spy off from the outside world.

Feverishly I wondered what to do. I was alone with La Carioca and the situation was becoming tense. My interview had degenerated to the point where matters were rapidly passing beyond my control. Would she produce a revolver, and would my mutilated body be found weeks later floating in the harbour? I tried to put the thought out of my mind but it kept recurring, until I was in a positive perspiration (i.e. sweat) of terror. La Carioca languidly uncoiled herself from the sofa where she had been reclining. So the moment had come. I shut my eyes praying it would be a quick and painless death.

"Vill you dreerk a cocktail? Eet is a special kind and vaireer, vairee gut."

The tension was broken and I laughed, at the same time accepting the amber-coloured liquid which she offered me.

And the interview, which, as I cannot too often repeat, is being published exclusively in the China Mail, continued:

"And what do you think of our submarines?" I asked.

"Do zey go undaire ze vater?"

"No confirmation of this can be obtained but I think we can say they do."

"Ach, eet ees so wunderbar. Some time I must them visit."

"Of course, the Commodore will be only too pleased."

I then brought up the question of the coming manoeuvres to test the defences of the Colony.

"Oui, I shall be covering zees assignment for several European Powers, and your Admeeral has a suite promised to me on his flagship."

"I hope to obtain full information on all your latest naval developments which will of much value be to any nation attacking Hong Kong."

"Your readers may also be interested, is it not, in my plans for sabotage when war breaks out?"

"I shall myself blow up ze Star Ferry wharves, ze Peak Tram and ze newspaper bureaux. These latter are most important and must and shall destroyed be."

Intervention Of Censorship

Further details of this remarkable, unique, amazing, stupendous, in fact unbelievable interview, have been forbidden by Government, who have imposed a strict censorship on all further articles written by our special correspondent, Ulysses.

A warrant for the arrest of Ulysses has been issued for contravention of the Official Secrets Act, The Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (1916) and the Versailles Treaty.

A reward of \$150 will be paid

CORRESPONDENCE

Coronation Medals

[To The Editor, "China Mail"]

Dear Sir,—With reference to the Hong Kong Government announcement that applicants for Coronation Medals should communicate direct with the Royal Mint, we wish to inform you that we have been appointed to act as Official Agents for the sale of these medals and we shall be able to supply local Jewellers and others interested. The medals will also be on sale at our office on the ground floor of Queen's Building.

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THE LEAVE BOOK 1937

The Coronation Year "Leave Book" is out, combining with it "London," a fact which suggests that those who have found either useful in the past will find them doubly so to-day. The emphasis on sporting attractions is maintained, and the magazine contains the largest selection of recommended hotels available in any publication. There is also useful information concerning schools.

DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE IN MOSCOW

Moscow, Yesterday.

Diplomatic representatives of the Soviet in Asiatic countries will shortly be summoned to a conference in Moscow under the presidency of the Foreign Commissar, M. Maxim Litvinoff, it was announced to-day.

It is declared that all current foreign political problems facing the Soviet will be exhaustively discussed. Among those attending the conference will be the Soviet envoys in Ankara, Tokyo, Kabul and Iran—Trans-Oxian.

to the person or persons responsible for his capture alive or dead (preferably dead).

Warning: Ulysses is known to be a desperate character. He is armed with a Colt .45 and a flowing moustache. The latter is the more dangerous and should be avoided at all costs (females please note).

THIS SOCIAL BUSINESS

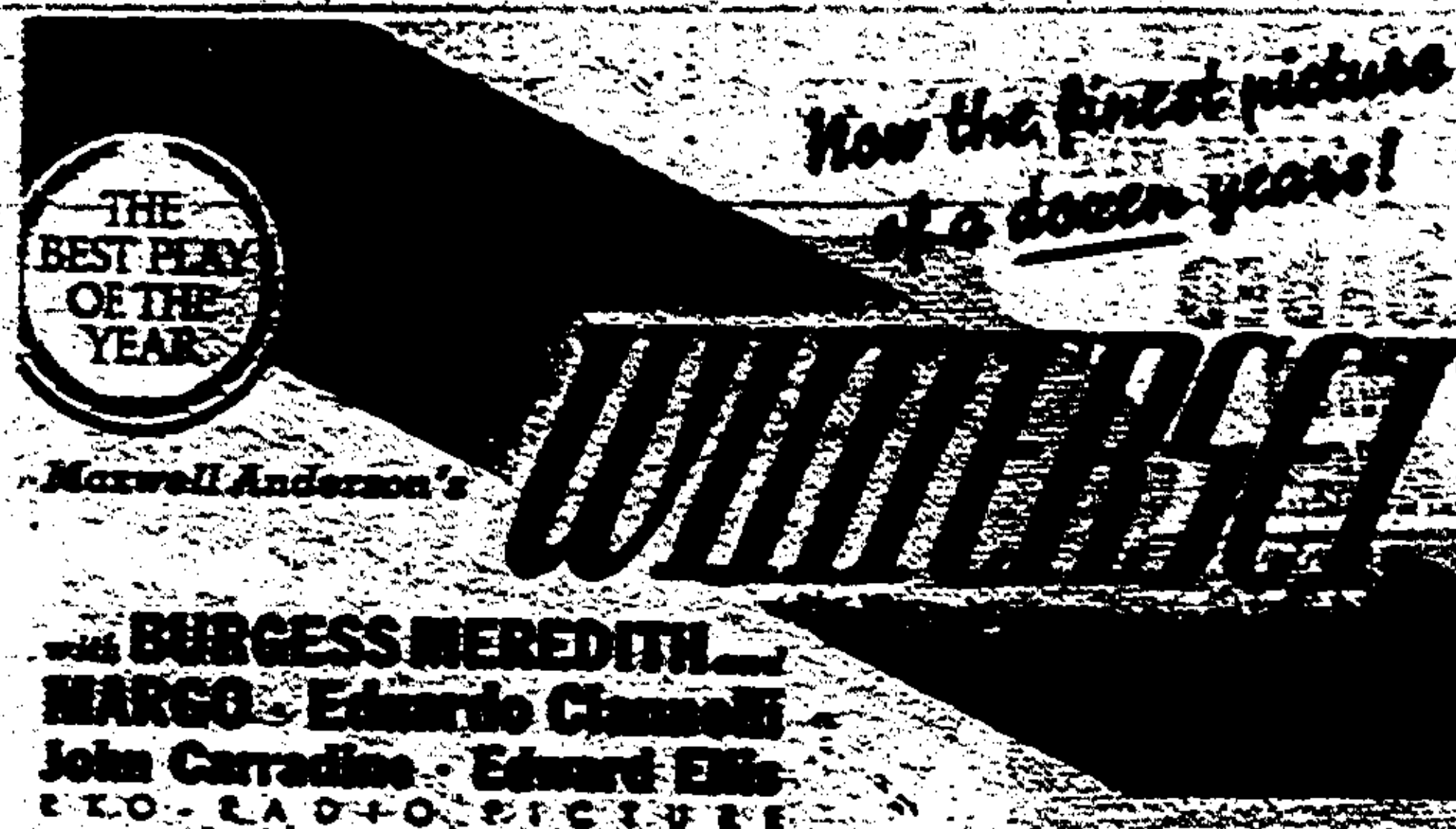
I am sorry I cannot accede to the two requests I have received for further social notes. The fact is that I have not yet recovered from a nervous breakdown induced by a lady who, after inviting me to a dinner party, added, "I think you ought to come. After all, I am sure you don't receive many invitations."

I've gone all anti-social after this. Almost Bohemian, in fact.

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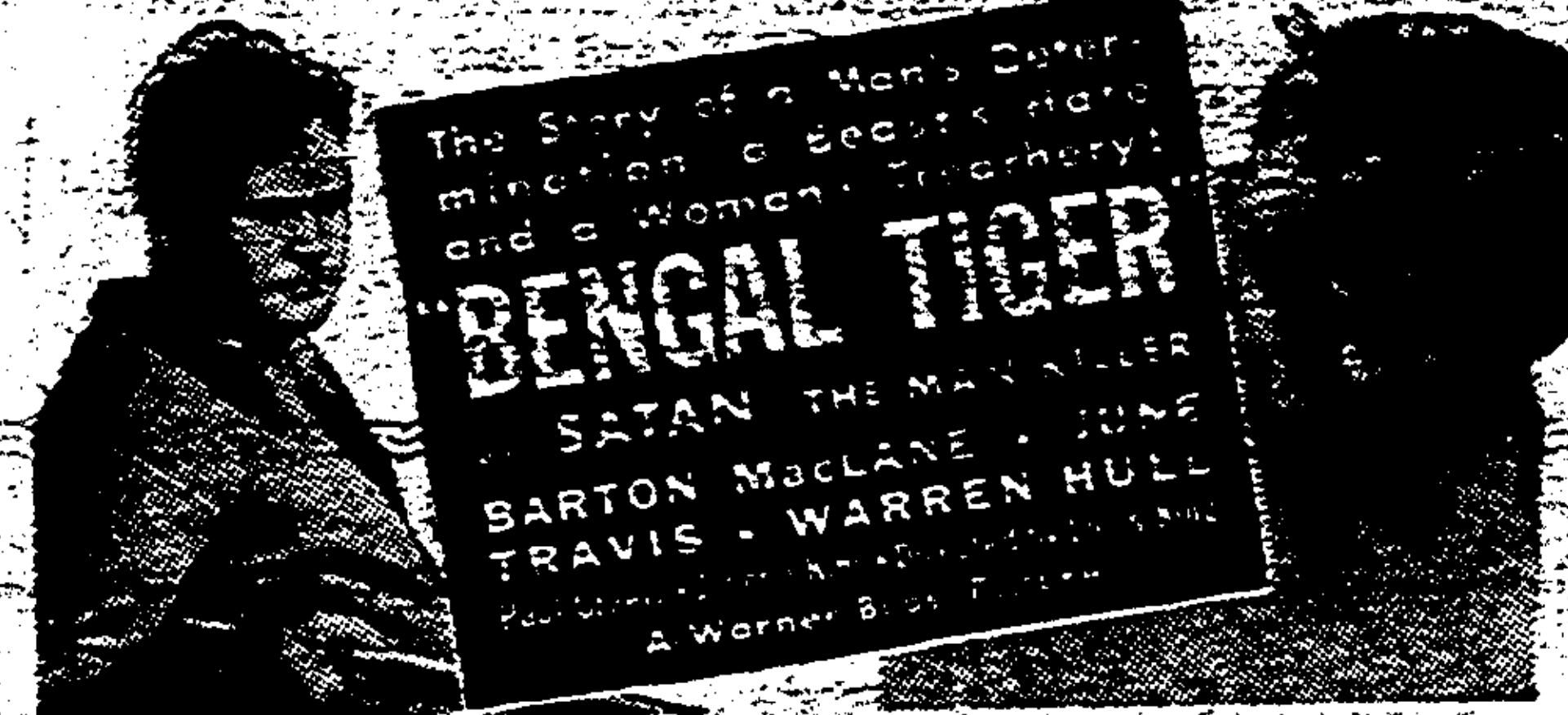
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ALL CHURCHES, SCHOOLS CLOSED IN RUMANIA DRASTIC STEP TAKEN ON ALLEGED POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day.

"The pulpits of some churches, instead of fulfilling their mission of teaching obedience to the law and submission to the authorities, have become platforms of political agitation which are promoting dissension.

"THE HOLDING OF POLITICAL DEMONSTRATIONS AND THE ENFLAMING OF POLITICAL GROUPS ONE AGAINST THE OTHER, ARE ACTIVITIES NOT IN KEEPING WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, AND ARE DETRIMENTAL TO THE INTERESTS OF THE STATE."

So declared the Minister of schools and churches. Education, Dr. C. Angelescu, in a public address yesterday when the complete closing of all churches, universities and high schools in the country was announced.

They will remain closed, it was revealed, until new laws covering education in Rumania come into force.

This startling action follows the decision of the Council of Ministers that decisive action should be taken to stamp out political activity in

EXPULSION ORDER

All students have been ordered to return to their homes, while scholars who are two years in arrears with their examinations are automatically expelled.

The Patriarch of the Rumanian Church was yesterday officially informed that the Government was determined to initiate effective measures to prevent servants of the Church from deviating from the religious field into politics.—Trans-Ocean.

Operations Against Stay-In Monks

CAIRO, TO-DAY.

THE FACT THAT STAY-IN STRIKES ARE BECOMING THE FASHION, AND THE FACT THAT MONKS IN EGYPT ARE THE LATEST TO ADOPT THIS METHOD OF AIRING THEIR GRIEVANCES, HAS NOT SOFTENED THE GOVERNMENT ATTITUDE.

BRITISH ANXIETY

Drastic Steps In
Pacific?

British shipping circles, I learn, view the Pacific trade position with increasing anxiety. Empire shipping is, it is recognised, waging a desperate and losing fight with its heavily subsidised foreign rivals, writes Hector Bywater in the "Daily Telegraph."

Already the Australian and New Zealand Governments have found it necessary to impose a conditional ban on American traffic in the Tasman Sea, where the Matson liners, built and operated largely by United States Government funds, are edging out the old-established Empire lines.

Still more serious, because on an infinitely larger scale, is Japanese competition in the Eastern, Far Eastern, and Australian trades. In the December 30 issue of "The Daily Telegraph" I gave details of the new legislation which is designed to increase Japan's mercantile tonnage from 4,000,000 to 8,000,000 tons in a few years.

I pointed out that the proportion of Japan's tonnage to the world's total, already twice her proportion of trade to world trade, would eventually become four times her share of world trade.

Big Depreciation

Apart from subsidies, Japanese shipping benefits greatly from a currency depreciation, compared with sterling, ranging from 22 per cent. in 1932 to 43 per cent. last year. Japan claims that 73 per

cent. of the tonnage in the Japan-India trade, and 79 per cent. of that in the Japan-Australia trade is already under her flag.

In his despatch above, the Sydney Correspondent of "The Daily Telegraph" reveals how Japanese ships are cutting still further into the Australia trade.

The British Government is known to take a very serious view of the situation, and it is understood that the whole question is to be discussed fully with the Dominion Governments at the Imperial Conference next May.

Recently strengthened, the building resembles a fortress and is surrounded by a 15-foot wall.—Reuter.

All they wanted was that the abbot should be dismissed, and replaced by another.

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12.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Concert by John McCormack (tenor), Peter Dawson (bass-baritone) and Jascha Heifetz (violin).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra. Water Music Suite (Handel).
No. 1—Allegro.
No. 2—Air.
No. 3—Bourree.
No. 4—Hornpipe.
No. 5—Andante.
No. 6—Allegro Deciso.
"Damnation of Faust" (Berlioz, Op. 24)—Rakoczy March.
"Samson and Delilah" (Saint-Saens)—Bacchanale.
Song without words (Tchaikovsky) (In a Minor, Op. 40, No. 6).
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.

7.35 p.m.—Gracie Fields (Comedienne). When the robin sings his song again, On a night of love.
Your dog's come home again.
7.45 p.m.—From the Studio.
Jazz Interpretations by Pumping Villa (Piano).
1. Drop me off at Harlem.
2. Tormented.
3. Three little words.
4. My blue heaven.
5. Limehouse blues.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Four Light Songs by Webster Booth (tenor).
Stay with me for ever (Lehar), Vienna, city of my dreams (Sieczynski).
The world is mine to-night (Posford), Pale Moon (Logan).
8.15 p.m.—London—"This is England." Talks by representative English people: (9) J. F. Roxburgh, Headmaster of Stowe School. Introduced by Anthony Weymouth (Electrical Recording).
8.30 p.m.—London—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.

8.55 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
9.15 p.m.—From the Studio.
An Operatic Recital by Mme. Francesca Denies (Soprano).
"La Reine de Saba" (Gounod).
Plus grand dans son obscurité.
"Carmen" (Bizet)—Habenera.
"Werther" (Massenet)—Les larmes.
9.30 p.m.—Chamber Music.
Trio No. 1 in B Flat, Op. 99 (Schubert).
Cortot, Thibaud and Casals.
Quartet No. 2 in D Major (Borodin).
Pro Arte Quartet.
1st Movement—Allegro moderato.
2nd "—Scherzo.
3rd "—Notturmo—Andante.
Serehade (Schubert)..... De Groot.

(Violin), Gibrilero (Piano) and Samehini (Cello).
10 p.m.—London—Big Ben. Hughie Green and His Gang. (Electrical Recording).
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—
Lost my rhythm, lost my music, lost my man, I'm all in.
Slow Fox-Trot—
Lady from Mayfair.
Fox-Trot—
The never-to-be-forgotten melody.
Rumba—The Gancho.
Fox-Trot—
With all my heart.
When April comes again.
Me and the moon.
One rainy afternoon.
Waltz—Although.
11 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Don't Always Lead Partner's Suit

Usually it is eminently correct to lead the suit that partner has bid. The fact that he has definitely advertised strength in that suit gives eyes, one might say, to what otherwise would have to be a blind opening.

But in contract the exceptions to rules often are more vital than the rules themselves. The reason for this is that hands which require application of these exceptions are apt to be "swing hands," meaning that two diametrically different results depend upon decisions of the players themselves, not the vagaries of the cards.

When a player makes what can be recognised as a purely defensive bid, there is no logic in placing him with "tops" in the suit. We all have had occasion to put in defensive bids on suits as weak as jack high, with some outside strength. Indeed, such desperate measures often are necessary to "pushing tactics" when the opponents have bid to a part-score. When a desperate situation exists, therefore, the opening leader should almost disregard partner's bid and make his selection on the basis of his own hand.

South, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable; North-South 90 part score.

NORTH.
S—Q 7 4
H—J 10 6 5 3
D—A 2
C—8 7 4
WEST **EAST**
S—10 9 8 5 S—J 6
H—7 4 H—A Q 9
D—Q 8 6 5 D—10 9 3
C—A 5 2 C—Q J 9 6 3
SOUTH
S—A K 3 2
H—K 8 2
D—K J 7 4
C—K 10

The bidding:
South. West North East
1 spade Pass Pass 2 clubs
2 diamonds Pass 2 spades Pass
Pass Pass

East fully realised that his two club bid was dangerous, but who can blame him for at least a faint effort at defending against the 90 part-score?

West woodenly selected the club ace as the opening lead and, after that, there was no defence that could deprive declarer of eight tricks. The belated shift by West to a spade was won by dummy's queen, and the jack of hearts was led. East won with the ace and returned a trump, but the damage was done. Declarer won, cashed his king of clubs and king of hearts, and then led three rounds of diamonds, ruffing the last with dummy's last trump. Then, to add insult to injury, dummy's third club was ruffed with declarer's otherwise worthless low trump and thus the contract was made with an overtrick.

Had West used a little judgment on the opening lead, instead of jumping at the chance to dodge responsibility by opening partner's suit, he would have seen that nothing could be gained by laying down the club ace. With two low clubs in addition to the ace there was virtually no chance that he might get in a club ruff or overruff. A trump, from his sequence, would have been the logical lead against South's declaration of two suits. Even with a trump opening it would have required careful defence to defeat the contract. On the lead of the heart jack from dummy, East should merely cover with the queen, not play the ace. Then, when West later gained the lead with the club ace, he would have to return a heart to East's tenace over the dummy, and thus gain the opportunity to discard a club in order to overruff declarer when he should attempt to ruff a third round of clubs.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: When there is a misdeal does the deal pass to the next player?
Answer: No. The same player re-deals.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"The Garden of Allah," with Marlene Dietrich, Charles Boyer and Joseph Schildkraut. The immortal love story of Domini Efilden who flees to the Algerian desert to begin life anew and there meets a handsome Trappist monk who has fled from a Monastery after taking the eternal vows. This time in technicolour.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Roberta," with Ginger Rogers, Fred Astaire and Irene Dunn. An old favourite from RKO Radio, featuring the famous dancing team. This is the film that made them definitely the world's most popular singing and dancing team.

AT THE STAR—"Special Agent"—with Bette Davis and George Brent. This picture is said to reveal the inner workings of the U.S. Treasury department, and shows a new angle of the American Government's activities against public enemies.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Bengal Tiger"—with June Travis, Warren Hull and Joseph King. A melodramatic thrill packed story of circus life.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Come Closer, Folks," with James Dunn, Marion Marsh, Herman Bing and Jene Lockhart. A comedy featuring Dunn as a street corner salesman and Marian Marsh as his wise cracking girl friend.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Winterset," with Burgess Meredith, Eduardo Ginnelli and John Carradine. The play for which the New York Dramatic Critics Circle awarded the director a plaque as the best work of the year. A stirring romance rising out of the grim efforts of a young man to vindicate the name of his father.

COMING PICTURES

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman

who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"China Clipper"—With Pat O'Brien, Beverley Roberts, Ross Alexander, Humphreys Bogart and Henry B. Walthall. A glamorous romance of the air, marking a milestone in the pictorial history of daring American aviation, coming to the King's Theatre.

"Satan Met A Lady"—with Bette Davis, Warren William, Alison Skipworth, Arthur Treacher and Winifred Shaw. A new thriller from the author of "The Thin Man" which will keep you in laughter from start to finish, coming to the King's.

"Under Your Spell"—with Lawrence Abbot, Wendy Barrie, Gregory Ratoff and Arthur Treacher. A roughhouse romance that hits the high spots of comedy, action, rhythm and excitement. Coming to the Queen's Theatre.

"The Flying Hostess," with William Gargan, Judith Barrett and William Hall. A thrilling romance of the skies. Coming to the Alhambra.

"The Man I Marry," with Doris Nolan, Michael Whalen, "Chic" Sale and Nigel Bruce. A rollicking romantic comedy in which Doris Nolan, Universal's newest find, gives an outstanding performance. Coming to the Alhambra.

"The Man Who Lived Twice"—with Ralph Bellamy, Marian Marsh and Isabel Jewell. A blood-chilling drama of a killer resurrected and transformed into a reputable and eminent surgeon. Coming to the King's.

"Texas Rangers"—with Fred MacMurray and Jack Oakie. This picture, the second made by Paramount for Vidor, immortalises the band of men who made Texas safe for the pioneer settlers.

"Avenging Waters"—with Ken Maynard, Beth Marion and Ward Bond. A roaring romance of the west packed with spine-thrilling adventures. Coming to the Alhambra.



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MR. CHURCHILL SATISFIED

At All Events, More Or Less

Guns And Aircraft Warning

London, To-day.

A qualified blessing was given to the Government's rearmament policy by Mr. Winston Churchill when the rearmament debate was resumed in the House of Commons yesterday.

MR. CHURCHILL SAID THAT THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS PURSUING A FIVE-YEAR PLAN OF THIS SCALE, EVIDENCE OF OUR GREAT FINANCIAL STRENGTH, AND GENERAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE POLICY BY ALL PARTIES, THE WELCOME IT HAD RECEIVED PARTICULARLY IN SMALL COUNTRIES, ALL GIVE THE DOMINIONS AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES ADVANTAGES FOR WALKING IN STEP WITH US.

We had now got a foreign policy based on the League Covenant and upon special agreements with France, which was what the great mass of the nation desired.

If we resolutely pursued defence for four or five years, we were likely to be in a far safer and more agreeable position than any since German rearmament began in earnest.

They had not yet got the air estimates, which were the most important of all.

He hoped that large supplementary estimates were to come and he would be reassured if, proceeding on present lines, more than £60,000,000 or £70,000,000 would be required by loan in the coming year.

PROGRESS POINTS

He regretted the absence of a quantitative statement or fixed dates as to progress points.

Germany, he said, had 1,500 guns apart from guns in position.

"How soon shall we have 1,500 good modern guns with trained crews and all necessary equipment?"

It was the same about the Air Force, which at present was in arrears.

In no other generation would the House of Commons be willing to continue in complete ignorance of the vital security of the nation, especially in view of the Government's admission of miscalculation.

NAVAL SUPERIORITY

Could the Government assure the House that the British Air Force a year hence would be more nearly a match for the German air force than to-day, or that the German army would not then maintain their present superiority over the French?

Mr. Churchill thought we could rely on the superiority in the future of the British Navy in Europe, as long as the right feeling of the United States was not withdrawn from the British Empire.

DEFENSIVE ALLIANCE

Anglo-French understanding to-day undoubtedly amounted a defensive alliance against unprovoked aggression.

"Anglo-French friendship is one of the greatest guarantees for the continuance of peace or, at the very worst, our joint survival."

A Labour motion for rejection of the Defence Loans Bill was defeated by 241 votes to 117.

The Bill then passed its third reading and was sent to the House of Lords.—Reuter.

CHANCELLOR WINDS UP

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, winding up the debate for the Government, said the discussion has shown there was a real general fundamental measure of agreement in the House upon the necessity for rearmament.

The opposition argued that our armaments were excessive because other nations would assist us if we were attacked, but that implied that we would have to assist them, and this would increase our liabilities instead of decreasing them.

We had no liability under the League Covenant to give military assistance to victims of aggression.

He believed the measure of rearmament the Government was advocating was an essential preliminary to the final stage of disarmament.—Reuter.

IMPERIAL DEFENCE "GRATUITIES"

London, To-day.—Voluntary contributions to the cost of Imperial Defence by Colonial Governments amount to \$153,000 in the present year.—British Wireless.

HINDENBURG'S NEXT TRIP TO SOUTH AMERICA

Berlin, To-day.—Nearly all the cabins on the Zeppelin "Hindenburg" have already been booked for the dirigible's first flight this year to South America, scheduled for March 16. All cabins have been booked in advance for the return flight to Europe.—Trans-Ocean.

INTERNATIONAL BROADCAST

Berlin, To-day.—The congress of the International Radio Association began in Berlin yesterday and will continue till March 12. Fifty broadcasting groups from 29 nations are represented.

The Association meets two or three times each year to discuss questions pertaining to wave length distribution, international programmes and copyright problems.

Delegates to the Congress will be received by the Reich Minister of Propaganda, Dr. Joseph Goebbels.—Trans-Ocean.

London, To-day.

The death occurred yesterday of the novelist, Joseph Hocking.—Reuter.

CONTROL PLAN DELAYED

London, To-day.

Introduction of the non-intervention scheme is likely to be postponed for a fortnight from March 6, the originally arranged date.

This is because it is now admitted in British circles that it is impossible for observers to reach their posts either on the high seas or frontiers by then.

Meanwhile the committee's experts have decided to recommend extension of the control system to include ships of non-interventionist Powers bound for Spain from the United States and other non-European ports.

It has also been decided to recommend a special control system for the Canary Islands in order to prevent foreign ships landing contraband there which might be carried to Spain in Spanish ships, the latter not being liable to control.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S PLANS

London, To-day.

A Bill concerning control of merchant ships destined for Spain will be tabled in Parliament at the next session, and will be dealt with as one of the first points on the agenda, according to newspaper reports.—Trans-Ocean.

RECALL PROPOSAL

Paris, To-day.

The Spanish Government has agreed to the idea of repatriation of volunteers from Spain, providing it is reciprocal.

This is according to a Spanish press agency message from Valencia.—Reuter.

The Ministry of Railways has appointed Messrs. Leung Wai-wei and Kok Fook-chiu to be directors of the scheme for construction of the Canton-Muiyuan (East Kwangtung) Railway and the Cheung Muk-tou and Swatow Railway.



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MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL

HEAVY GUNS WRECK OVIEDO

CITY VIRTUALLY IN RUINS

BURGOS, TO-DAY.

NOTWITHSTANDING FIERCE ASSAULTS ON OVIEDO, THE GOVERNMENT FORCES HAVE SUSPENDED THEIR ATTEMPTS TO CAPTURE THE CITY, ACCORDING TO INSURGENT REPORTS.

The city has suffered terribly from the Government bombardment, the Cathedral tower having been destroyed to the level of the nave.

Not a single building is not marked by shell bursts and bullet holes, and it is estimated that there have been over 1,000 civilian victims of the shelling in the past week.

EXCHANGE OF HOSTAGES

An official statement in Bilbao says that an exchange of hostages held by the Basque Government and the rebels will probably take place in the near future.

Agreement over details of the exchange is expected to be signed within the next few days.

Success for the Government troops on the Madrid and Jarama River fronts is claimed in Valencia, where it is stated the loyalist tanks have destroyed several machine-gun nests.

Mining and dynamiting activities continue to blow up the rebel trenches.

CARTAGENA SHELLED

Cartagena has been bombarded by rebel cruisers and smaller craft.

The insurgents claim the bombardment destroyed the quays and various warehouses where ammunition supplies were stored.—Trans-Ocean and Reuter.

Mr. J. A. Strachan was among the large number of passengers who sailed in the Asama Maru for Los Angeles via ports on Wednesday.

CABINET CRISIS RUMOURS IN FRANCE: AND FIRM DENIALS

Heavy Pressure Causes Slump In Franc

REVALUATION TALK: HECTIC DAY ON MONEY MARKET

Paris, To-day.

Prices on the Bourse substantially improved yesterday on rumours of impending changes in the Government and of currency devaluation.

REPORTS WERE CIRCULATING TO THE EFFECT THAT THE RESIGNATION OF THE FINANCE MINISTER, M. VINCENT AURIOL, WAS IMMINENT AND THAT HE WOULD BE REPLACED BY THE PREMIER, M. LEON BLUM, HIMSELF.

It was also rumoured that M. Charles Rist, the financial expert, would replace M. Labeyrie as Governor of the Bank of France.

Other rumours were that the franc would be devalued from 105 to the Pound sterling to 112, the lowest legal tender, and that a free market in gold would be re-established.

POSITIVE MEASURES

The impression has gained ground that the Government will be bound to adopt positive measures to solve the Treasury and economic troubles instead of maintaining a policy of "wait and see."

When the Bourse closed yesterday Rentes three per cent. were quoted at 73.75 against 70.95 yesterday, Banque shares at 84.75 as against 79.00 and Rintintos at 34.50 as against 32.40.—Reuter.

Heavy Bear Drive

London, To-day.

When the Paris banks closed at mid-day yesterday for the mid-Lent holiday, bears seized the opportunity to launch the heaviest drive against French currency seen for some time.

Discounts on francs for forward delivery against sterling slumped sharply to 1.81 for one month and 3.37 for three months, compared with 1.27 and 3.03, respectively, at the opening.

Pressure against "spot" francs necessitated heavy intervention by the British Equalisation Fund.

NO NEW DEVELOPMENT

Foreign exchange circles in London point out that to-day's slump in the franc is not indicative of any new developments but serves to emphasise the seriousness of the French financial situation.

In Paris, authoritative circles categorically deny that the Government has any intention to modify its present composition, either by including new ministers or by a reshuffle of portfolios.

It is added that no resignation of any minister is contemplated, as was reported earlier.

U. S. ASSISTANCE?

According to a report in the "Petit Parisien," the United States Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, has assured the French Ambassador in Washington that the United States Government is disposed to come to the assistance of the French Government in its present financial difficulties.

The paper continues by saying that since a critical attitude to M. Blum's financial policy is now

Stabilisation Of The Franc

Paris, To-day.

Stabilisation of the franc, if carried out to-morrow, as appears to be generally believed in financial circles, will not be effected below the present parity of the franc.

So says an announcement issued in Paris by the Havas news agency.—Reuter.

apparent not only in the Senate but also in the Chamber of Deputies, where difficulties arose on Thursday in discussing the Bill designed to check rising prices, the Government will be forced to make certain fundamental changes in policy.

COUNCIL TO MEET

The French Ministerial Council will deal with the financial situation to-day (Friday) when the President, M. Albert Lebrun, will preside.

The paper attribute this sudden development to the demand for clarification of the Government's financial policy made during the Cabinet meeting by the Radical-Socialist Ministers, M. Edouard Daladier, M. Yvon Delbos and M. Chautemps.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

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J. M. Alves, Mrs. E. W. Gardiner, Miss R. Mow Fung, Dr. Ip Kam-wah and Messrs. W. C. Felshow, H. Gittins, the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Lam Ming-fan, Li Chor-chi, D. W. Munton, L. N. Murray, R. Pestonji, C. E. Terry, T. B. Wilson, C. M. Mannors, B. W. Bradbury, W. J. Rattey.

Bullet's Queer Path After Killing A Man

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

A queer story of the path taken by a bullet through the human body after it had penetrated the heart is being widely discussed in French medical circles.

It followed the death of a French Socialist in street fighting during a political meeting.

The subsequent inquest revealed that he had been shot through the heart, but the doctor who had conducted the post-mortem examina-

tion stated that he had been unable to find the bullet or even the point where it must have left the body.

A further post-mortem examination was ordered and ended with the discovery of the bullet in the calf of the left leg.

It is generally presumed that after piercing the heart, the bullet had lodged in one of the main arteries and that the dying man's convulsions forced it to take this extraordinary course through the body.—Trans-Ocean.



M. LEON BLUM

K.R.A. ANNUAL MEETING

Strong Plea For Municipalisation

"Perhaps it is too much to expect a Government immersed in matters of high policy to worry itself over a few lepers, street lights, or a hole in the road, but there is a method whereby it can relieve itself of these trifling responsibilities—and that is municipalisation," declared the President of the Kowloon Residents Association (Mr. B. Wylie) addressing a large gathering of members at the annual meeting in St. Andrew's Hall last night.

Criticism of Government policy voiced by Mr. Wylie included bus rates, poor street lighting, the condition of roads and the leper problem, the solution for which he suggested was the use of the abandoned Laichikok gaol as a leprosyarium.

Special business transacted at the meeting was the election of Mr. J. P. Braga as an honorary life member. Mr. Wylie was re-elected President for the ensuing year.

OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Other officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:—

President, Mr. B. Wylie.
Vice-President, Mr. F. C. Mow Fung.

Secretary, Mr. R. Baldwin.
Treasurer, Mr. R. P. Phillips.
General Committee, the Hon. Mr. L. d'Almada e Castro, jun., Chev.
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Boom In Diamonds

Amsterdam, To-day.

The famous Amsterdam diamond market is enjoying a boom as a result of a large demand for cut diamonds, which far exceed the supply.

The scarcity of diamonds for industrial purposes is becoming so pronounced that ordinary Congo diamonds are being placed on the market in the lack of higher quality stones.—Trans-Ocean.

Yuen Ku-sai, aged 29, a coolie at Wellington Barracks, was admitted to the G. C. H. suffering from a broken arm, alleged to have been caused when he was assaulted by an Indian soldier.

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Use A Lotion

If the complexion is dull, use honey and almond lotion every day. Greasy creams should not be used on this type of skin. Dry skins will, of course, need nourishment. The best treatment is to wash the face in warm water, using a good white soap. Then, after drying, and before powdering apply honey and almond cream. Before going to bed at night apply a good cold cream to your face. Leave it on for a

Amah Is A Psychologist

Amah's methods of upbringing have been severely criticised by generations of English mothers. "An amah's baby" is a synonym for a spoilt unruly child. Yet an elementary study of modern child psychology will reveal the amah to have been and to be still, far ahead of her English mistress in her methods of coping with tantrums and other nursery trials. The psychologist tells us that most bad behaviour in children is due to a feeling of insecurity and helplessness. "Never smack or punish a child for an apparent fit of naughtiness," they say. "Distract the child's attention," is their remedy. Does not amah invariably use this so, so modern method? "Amah, you must be firmer with baby," is all the encouragement she gets.

"Allow the child to develop his growing sense of independence," we are told. Well, what of the numerous occasions when Johnny has flung his plate, his mug, his spoon to the four winds? Who patiently and silently replaces them on the table ready to be thrown down again? Amah believes in independence. Mother does not believe in broken china.

"A small child suffers from a constant sense of uncertainty." How can he suffer for long when his commands are obeyed unflinchingly, and at once, by his faithful guardian? Amah's supreme triumph lies in her complete agreement with the psychologists who insist that: "frustration of the child is the cause of much misery in later life."

Observe your friends who passed their childhood in the care of wise women from Canton and Canton more far. See how free they are from phobias, from complexes. Watch their power-conscious bear-

ATTACK ON ENGLISH WOMEN

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES ARE ACTING ENERGETICALLY TO EFFECT THE ARREST OF ONE OF FOUR JAPANESE WHO ASSAULTED TWO ENGLISH WOMEN IN THE ENGLISH-JAPANESE RESCUE MISSION AT HIGASHIMOZU-MURA, OSAKA PREFECTURE, RECENTLY.

This was announced by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, in reply to a question in the House of Commons yesterday.

Three of the men were arrested on the spot and only one man is still at liberty.

One of the men was a brothel keeper, who broke into the mission with three others because of the mission's continued refusal to surrender two Japanese prostitutes who had escaped from his brothel at Kyoto.

Mr. Eden added that the British acting Consul at Osaka was in close touch with the Japanese authorities.—Reuter.

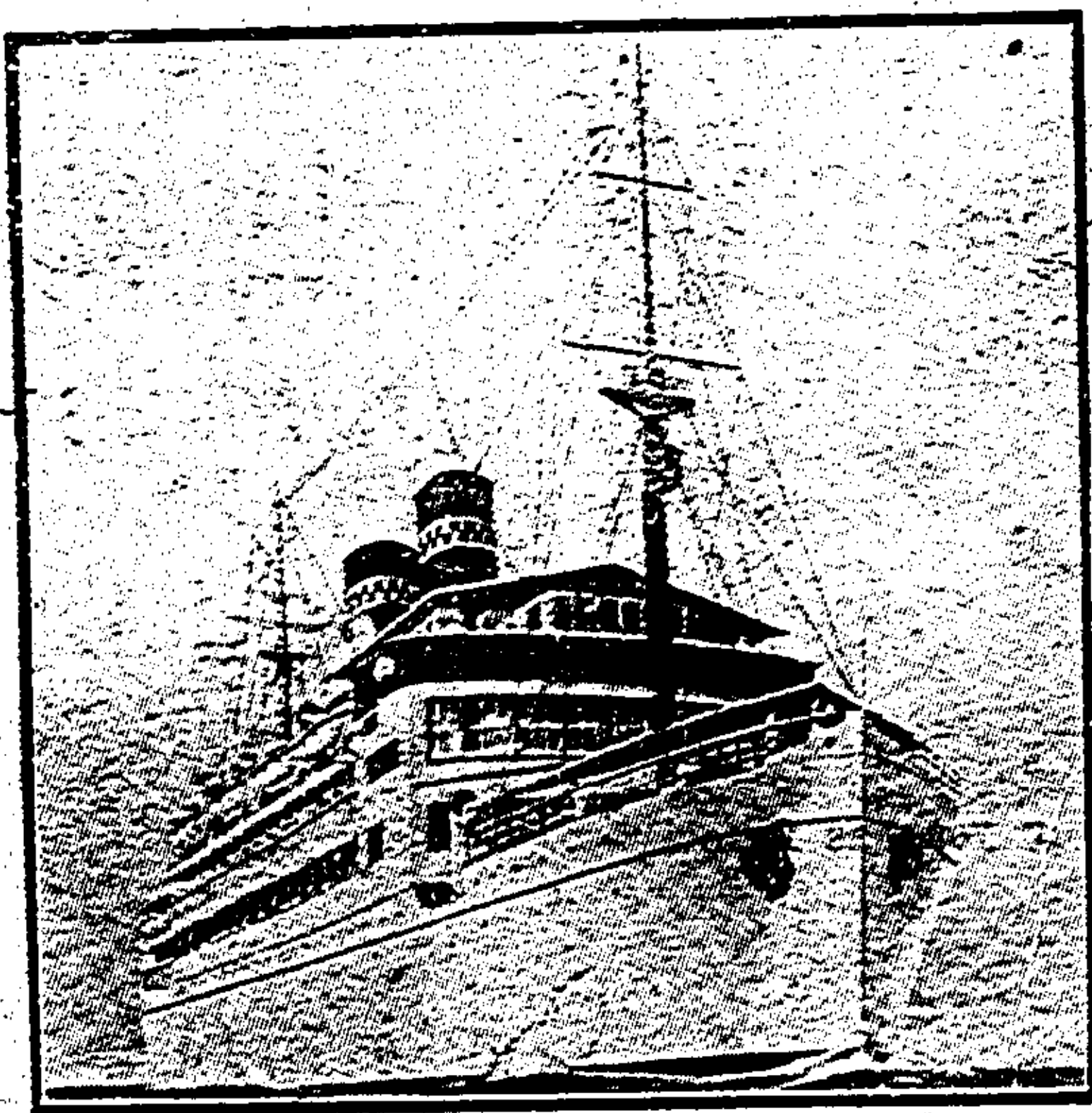
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"CHAMBER OF HORRORS" SPEECH PROVOKES DIPLOMATIC PROTEST

Berlin, To-day.

A vigorous protest has been lodged in Washington by the German Ambassador against a speech made by Mayor Fidel La Guardia of New York in which he referred to Chancellor Hitler as "that brown-shirted fanatic who is endangering the peace of Europe."

MAYOR LA GUARDIA, WHO WAS SPEAKING BEFORE A MEETING OF THE WOMEN'S SECTION OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS, ADDED, "AN EFFIGY OF THIS FANATIC WILL BE SHOWN AS THE CHIEF EXHIBIT IN A CHAMBER OF HORRORS WHICH I MYSELF WILL OPEN."

A telegram has been sent by all German societies in New York City to Mayor La Guardia protesting in the sharpest terms against his unparalleled attack on the German Chancellor.

The telegram declares that it is incredible that the Mayor of any United States city, who, in the discharging of his duties, is so strongly dependent on the co-operation of German elements of the population, should have the "audacity to slander in this manner the supreme head of a friendly nation, and to besmirch its good name."

"Your abusive speech is a grave insult to all United States citizens of German origin who are not disposed to submit to such remarks."

MR. HULL ENQUIRING

In Washington, the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, told newspapermen that he would at once ascertain whether newspaper reports covering the speech represented the true facts.

There could be no question, he continued, that it was a regrettable fact that any United States citizen, whatever he might think of the internal policy of another country, should use expressions that could be interpreted as offensive to the government of the country in question.

Mr. Hull said he would get into touch with Mayor La Guardia at once.

JEWISH VOTE!

In New York, German quarters point out that the Mayor's term of office expires at the end of this year, and that as he is not a Democratic Party nominee, he is obviously trying to influence the Jewish vote.

They add that the Jews in New York have such a preponderance that their vote generally proves to be the decisive factor in swaying the mayoral elections.

The whole German press is up in arms and describes the speech as "defamatory utterances."

"OBSCENE LANGUAGE"

The Nazi organ "Angriff" features the incident under a banner heading "New York Jew-in-Chief Insults Leader in Obscene Language."

"Since the Mayor's abuse was directed against the head of the

German State," says the paper, "we are compelled to ask the United States Government in all seriousness what it proposes to do in order to assure that the most primitive laws of international courtesy are respected in territory under its authority."

ACTION DEMANDED

The "Berliner Nachtausgabe" recalls that "Mayor La Guardia also helped a Communist mob which tore the Swastika flag from the German liner Bremen in New York harbour."

This incident was the subject of a strong diplomatic protest by Berlin to Washington.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" points out that this "stupid defamation of the head of a foreign State" could not be passed over in silence by the United States Government, since the tenure of such a post as the mayoralty of New York City imposes certain obligations on its holder.

The paper adds that Germany therefore expects Washington to take appropriate measures. —Trans-Ocean.

MILLION POUNDS FROM PARCEL CARRYING

London, To-day.

The Exchequer will benefit to the extent of £352,745 in death duties on the estate just proved, totalling £1,004,366, left by a Miss Watson, who died last December, and who was a permanent Director of Suttons, the firm of carriers. —British Wireless.

PEDDER STREET PARKING

C. D. Chapman of the P. & O. Banking Corporation, was this morning cautioned by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy for causing an obstruction by parking his car in the pedestrian crossing in Pedder Street on February 19. The defendant was not in court but wrote admitting the charge.

Lieutenant Colonel E. T. Crutchley, Public Relations Officer in the Post Office, who was selected temporarily last summer to act as additional assistant Under-Secretary in the Detachments Office, has now returned to duty at the General Post Office. —British Wireless.



Mayor La Guardia, the Mayor of New York City.

The Nanking Government has announced that the late General Chu Pei-teh will be given a National Burial.

FRENCH STRIKE EPIDEMIC

Shipping Dispute At Marseilles

Marseilles, To day.

An epidemic of strikes has broken out in various parts of southern France.

In Marseilles the city is in the throes of a minor shipping tie-up, while in the holiday resorts of Cannes and Mentone gas workers have walked out.

Crews of several ships in Marseilles have not only gone on strike but are refusing to allow their officers on board.

Two ships, arriving from Bordeaux yesterday afternoon were immediately laid up when their crews joined the strikers.

In Cannes, Mentone and other Riviera resorts gas workers have occupied the works and after turning out the managers, continued to operate the works so that the supply of gas should not be cut off. —Trans-Ocean.



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A WORLD ENCYCLOPAEDIA

No person who is able to reflect upon the position at the present day of humanity at large, of man and all his works as distinguished from the smaller problems of single States and nations, of political parties and factions, can fail to be struck by the almost hopeless mess into which civilisation has landed itself. A lesser prophet than Mr. H. G. Wells might predict, as he did recently in a lecture at the Royal Institution, that "our species might yet end its strange eventful history as just the last, the cleverest of the great apes, the great ape that was clever — but not clever enough." The bald statement that an encyclopaedia might be expected to cure the ills of the world hardly carries conviction. And yet it was the famous Encyclopaedia of Diderot and his colleagues in the 18th century that played a powerful part in curing at least some of the ills of France and, incidentally, of Europe. Mr. Wells a few weeks ago proposed to the scientists assembled at the Royal Institution a World Encyclopaedia — not so much a book as an institution, for the purpose of orientating and organising knowledge throughout the world to close the "terrifying gap between available knowledge and current political and social events."

Mr. Wells was especially considering what he called the missing element in the modern human social mechanism. The needed connection between the perceptive and informative parts and the power organisation. Political leaders, dictators, legislators are ignorant of the knowledge which is power to organise human affairs, knowledge which might become actually available if the machinery for its integration were in existence. Scientists and thinkers are not wanting. Masses of knowledge have rapidly accumulated. But the information is unco-ordinated. The unfortunate Peace Conference at Versailles, the puny and ailing League of Nations, the chaotic political economy of the world are sufficient instances of the mournful results of ignorance on the part of those who direct human affairs. Specialists are not likely to be more capable in these matters than practised statesmen. But no statesman can put his finger on the diversity and multiplicity of specialist knowledge that he must possess to employ fully the intellectual resources of to-day. What then

must be done to bring the organisation of society up to a level with the front of learning and scientific discovery? "In transit," says Mr. Wells, "we have progressed from coaches and horses by way of train and electric traction, motor-car and aeroplane. In mental organisation we have so to speak, simply multiplied our coaches and horses and livery stables."

He proposes an Encyclopaedia that could be the school and university of every intelligent man and woman in the world. Not the collection of hurried summaries that constitutes the ordinary encyclopaedia, but an assemblage of the best that has been written on each subject, selected and quoted after the criticism and approval of the most eminent authorities. It should be under the direction of a permanent organisation which would include most of the outstanding specialists in the world. It would be revised and enlarged and changed with the growth in quantity and accuracy of information, and its editorial organisation would be in touch with original thinkers in every country. Conflicting statements would not be excluded, so that it might become, as Mr. Wells puts it, a clearing house of misunderstandings. The scheme bristles with difficulties but they do not appear to be insurmountable, especially if the sympathy of the savants and specialists is enlisted. The expense of it would be enormous, but it might eventually, as a world monopoly, bring in sufficient revenue to bear its initial expenses and maintain itself. Most of the material is already written. Collection, selection and criticism and the task of engaging the co-operation of intellectual workers in every country in the world would be the part of the organisation. The key bibliography that would be the first matter to be published would be valuable besides being an earnest of the greater work to come. The benefits that such a work would bring are undoubted if only it is able to overcome the opposition, obstruction and indifference with which it is likely to meet in many quarters. "It must," as Mr. Wells says, "exert a very great influence upon everyone who controls administrations: makes wars, directs mass behaviour, feeds, moves, starves and kills populations." He does not claim that it will solve any one of the grave problems that confront mankind to-day, but he is convinced, we think not unreasonably, that it will do more than any revolutionary movement to cure the mental confusion that is threatening the world with catastrophe.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

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ENGLISH: "Conventional English is the twin sister of barren thought." Professor Whitehead.

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WHAT PRICE GLORY? "The new conception of mental clarity may be tough on our cash registers. But it will be far easier on our souls." Senator Vandenberg.

Three Dictator Prophets

ON the walls of some French schools hangs a symbolic picture entitled "The Conquerors." It shows six figures standing elbow to elbow—Rameses II, Nebuchadnezzar, Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, Attila and Napoleon I. I imagine that if in future generations an attempt is made to give young children a synthetic portrait of our post-war period it will be through a picture called "The Dictators." A group of those who, not content with dominating a nation, have created or consolidated an entire system, will form the centre—Mussolini, Hitler, Stalin—men who, alone or as part of a group, overturned social or political systems to replace them by a new religion.

These we may call prophet-dictators, prophets of a doctrine as well as rulers of a people. A little behind them, in a light less bright, will stand those who, supported by an army, have been satisfied with commanding human beings without wishing to transform them. A special place will be given here to stern Marshal Pilsudski, whom history undoubtedly will view as something more than a mere military dictator, since he has a successor to carry on his system of rigid control of apparently democratic institutions.

I know or have known all the dictators of Europe. Some of them I have seen often and in intimate meetings, others only briefly and superficially. A skillful writer can, with the aid of documents, reconstruct the personality of a man prominent in a democratic or parliamentary order, for there a character portrait, a moral likeness, is required. But a dictator must be seen in action.

If he is a true leader he possesses an essential element of physical magnetism and a certain external appearance without which one can hardly imagine him. Can you conceive of a dictator with a large paunch and a flowing beard? In our day, when youth is weary of the critical analysis and thirsts for almost primitive simplicity, the dictator is a man whose disciples do not confine themselves to listening to his speeches and following his doctrines. They imitate his very gestures.

A larger element of the animalistic than one would readily believe is implied in the existence of dictatorships, as in certain jungle communities where we frequently find an individual who stands out among his fellows and sweeps them along with him because he can at any given moment make the opportune move which benefits the community. The mind may be individualistic, but instinct and physical being feel the gregarious urge, the herd impulse. And the herd is something like what on a higher level is called the "fascio."

Let us look at the three outstanding prophet-dictators. I feel rather doubtful about placing Stalin in just this category. A dictator he surely is, a 100 per cent. dictator in his possession of immense power over the armed forces enjoying power; but this power is vested in him by General von Blomberg. Mussolini regularly by the entire Communist party, of which he is the general secretary and which he commands through that omnipotent council, the Politbureau.

The apostolic element plays a rather minor role in Stalin's speech-making as compared with the orations have lasted years, has returned to

Paris. of Lenin. The Georgian is a keen and concrete spirit. I would not swear that he has read Karl Marx's "Capital" from beginning to end. His vision and thought are concentrated not on the relationships between employer and employee, or on the future development of the proletariat, but on the immense territory, so rich and so diversely populated, over which the domination of the Communist party must be maintained.

This territory, over which a curious destiny has given Stalin the authority of an absolute monarch, is almost the same as that over which the great medieval conqueror, Genghis Khan, also a Georgian, established his power. What interests Stalin is the application, the practical inauguration in all Soviet institutions, of the principles inspired by Karl Marx and codified by Lenin. But the Georgian is no slave to the principles themselves, and if one day he should be forced to choose between continuing his rule and remaining faithful to these principles I am sure he would reveal himself as an opportunist.

One sees Stalin in all his glory on ceremonial occasions in Red Square. The entire population of Moscow turns out. The square is bright with red banners, and the Soviet flag flutters over all the ancient palaces of the Kremlin. The motors of innumerable airplanes roar in the sky, and the poorly paved streets of Moscow groan under tanks of every size and shape.

In the middle of the square, surrounded by the crowd, a small group advances—less than a dozen people, plainly dressed, wearing simple caps. They look for all the world like poor travellers whose way is being paid by some charitable agency. But at the head of the group is a better-dressed man, wearing a military cap and a long khaki coat which cannot hide his youthful vigour. He has the sharp profile, the small mustache and the penetrating eyes of the men of his country. As deafening cheers resound he takes his place on the platform that surmounts Lenin's tomb, facing the panel on which he himself is represented, beside Lenin, in an enlargement a hundred times greater than life.

Nothing can be more difficult than to describe the personality of Adolf Hitler, whose dominant qualities are an unshakable faith in his country and a superhuman perseverance in thinking and repeating the same things for over fifteen years. If the word "prophet," in its Mohammedan sense, can be applied to any one, it must be to him.

Unlike Mussolini, Hitler does not govern; he is the arbiter, speaking from time to time, both as the apostle of a doctrine and as the supreme authority in the great international actions of the Reich. To understand this man one must remember that he is at once singularly isolated and surrounded. He leaves a considerable share of power to others. No one in Italy can boast the authority of a General Goering or Dr. Schacht in economic matters, or the power vested in him by General von Blomberg. Mussolini would not let any man but himself grow to such stature.

The proof is that the most gifted financier of Italy, Count Volpi, has no official function, and that Marshal Badoglio, who in four months finished a campaign that might have lasted years, has returned to

his ordinary duties without having seen his popularity equal his merit. Hitler does not claim technical knowledge of the various government departments of the Reich. He entrusts these to the German experts, and he does not permit his own party, which wrought a political upheaval, to go so far as to overthrow the established economic and social institutions of the Third Reich.

We must not forget Hitler's humble origin, his years of struggle, the wounds which rendered him temporarily blind and which even to-day often bring rough, metallic tones into his voice. A singular personality, he is visited by strange visions and sudden inspirations. His philosophy in the domains of art and culture has been derived from solitary studies, nights of work dedicated to a laborious and patient assimilation of elementary textbooks.

In the silence of his room or his study was formed a most unusual type of individuality which is characterised by a kind of intellectual modesty that makes him very accessible to the advice of experts in every field, although it is absolutely impossible to sway him in any decision in which he thinks he recognises a general spiritual value.

The day before the last Nuremberg Congress closed I had the opportunity to ride, with two foreign colleagues, in a car which followed immediately behind the Fuehrer's car to the old feudal castle that dominates the city. Thus I could observe Hitler a few yards away, standing as usual in the front of his car, his arm now outstretched in a commanding gesture, now raised with palms outspread in an almost pontifical gesture of benediction. long time to come.

He had invited us to lunch with him, and before luncheon we had a talk on the high tower where, as soon as he appeared, he was greeted with resounding shouts of "Heil" that rose from the gardens and windows of the vicinity.

He was visibly exhausted by the physical strain he had been undergoing for several hours.

The cult that surrounds Hitler differs in character from that which centres about Stalin. The German Fuehrer gives his name to squares and streets in all the cities of the Reich, but Stalin has given his name to three cities. The philosophy of Hitler is more simple than that of the Bolsheviks, who, after all, began their revolution in 1917 and based it on the faith in the Marxist gospel—a complex and precise social programme.

Unquestionably, National Socialism is more vague; it rests on a very small number of principles, not all of which are German. The mysticism surrounding the leader in all domains is essentially Mussolinian, and the mixture of nationalist spirit and socialism is Italian also. What is typically Germanic is the race doctrine, to which Alfred Rosenberg has dedicated voluminous works, and which, in the final analysis, has no merit except in application.

But whether or not the doctrine is simple, profound or superficial, the fact remains that Germany has, in four years, grown strong to an extent which no one would have thought possible. Whether it in spires other nations with admiration or with fear, with aversion or with sympathy, the fact is that this commanding gesture, now raised strength, so rapidly recovered, has upset the European applecart for a long time to come.

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PRAGUE, TO-DAY.
THAT THE CZECHO-SLOVAKIAN GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO FIGHT THE GERMAN MINORITY IS THE OPINION HELD IN SOME QUARTERS FOLLOWING AN ATTACK ON THEIR DEMANDS BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER, DR. KROFTA, YESTERDAY.

Dr. Krofta, in a speech before the committee for foreign affairs, criticised the recent address made by the leader of the Sudeten Party, Herr Konrad Henlein.

The claim that Czecho-Slovakia could improve her relations with certain of her neighbours by according certain privileges to the German minority, was denied by Dr. Krofta.

Czecho-Slovakia, he said, had no intention of making any further concessions to the Sudeten Party.

The rights of minorities, he continued, had been regulated by treaty with Poland, and since Czecho-Slovakia had entered into no similar agreement with any other State, no outside nation had the right to interfere with the Government's minority policy.

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Appeal to the League of Nations on behalf of the minority, he concluded, would be inadvisable, since the League would only interfere in cases where minorities had no representation in government.

In Czecho-Slovakia the German minority not only had its own ministers but administered certain districts where the population was German.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINA'S FUTURE GOVERNMENT SYSTEM

Brief Discussion In Commons

London, To-day.
The new Chinese Constitution and the forthcoming convention of the People's Assembly were mentioned in the House of Commons yesterday.

A question was put whether the Foreign Secretary would request the Ambassador to China to make a report on the Constitution and the Assembly, with particular reference to the position of the Kuomintang.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Viscount Cranborne, replied that the draft constitution was proclaimed in May, 1936, and the People's Congress convened for November, 1936 but postponed until November, 1937.

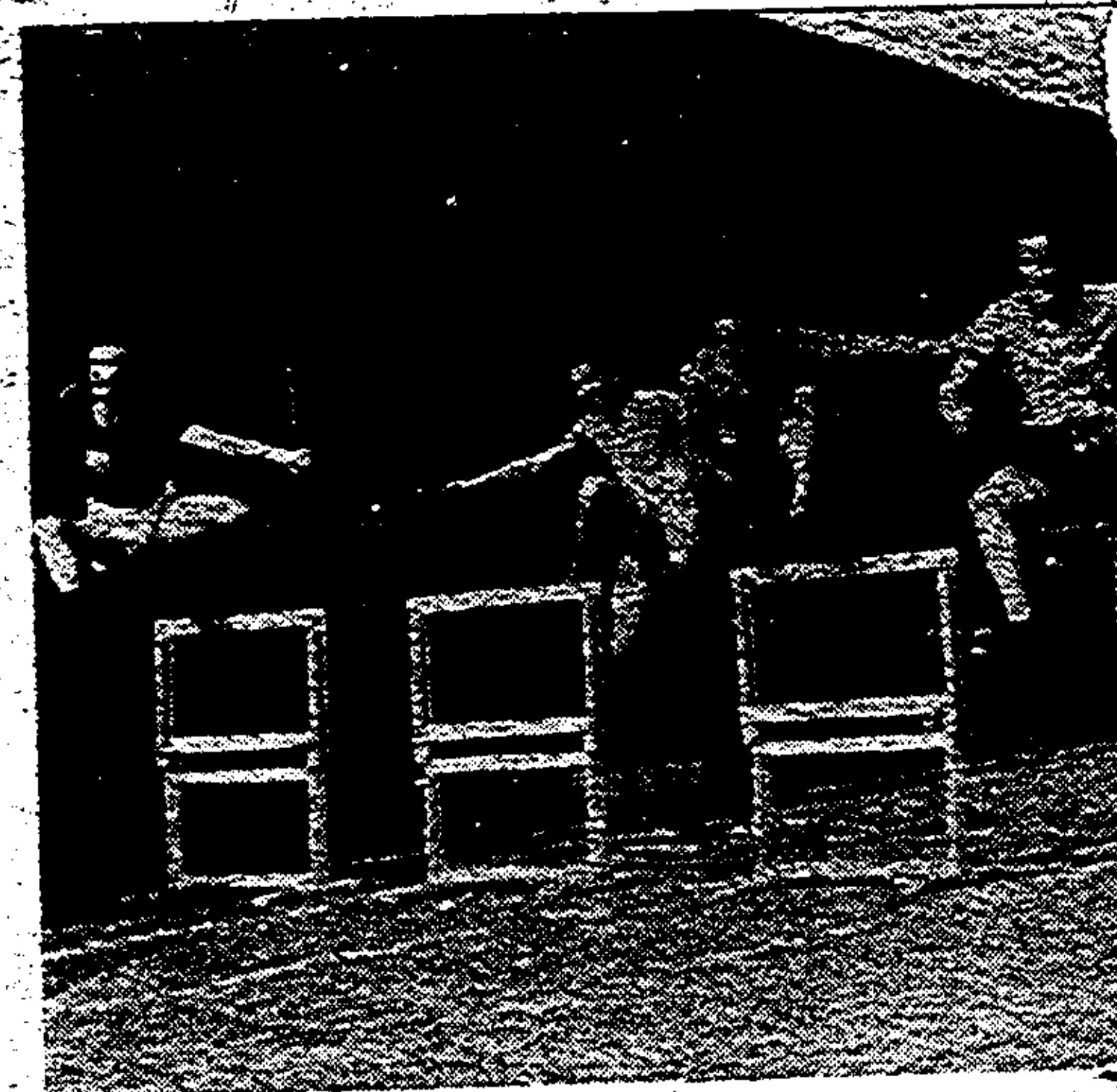
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Two pictures taken at the Seaforths' Highland top is one of the dancing competitions and below clearing the last obstacle. ("China Mail" photos).



(Above) Tsui Wai-pui, left, the Colony Single lawn tennis champion, about to spin his racket with H. N. Lee, his opponent, watches. Tsui beat Lee straight sets in his first round match last Monday at the H.K.C.C. courts. ("China Mail" photo).



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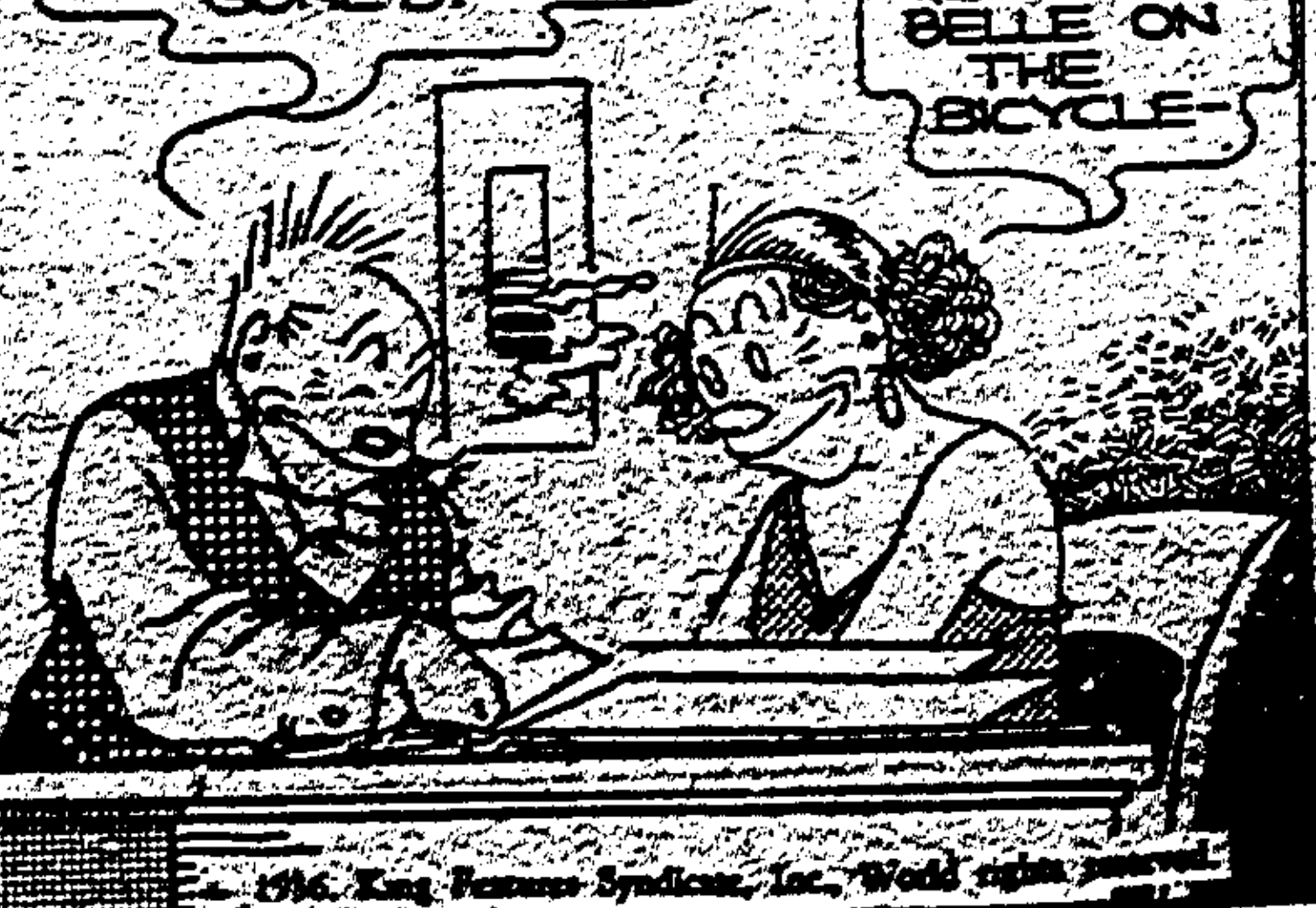
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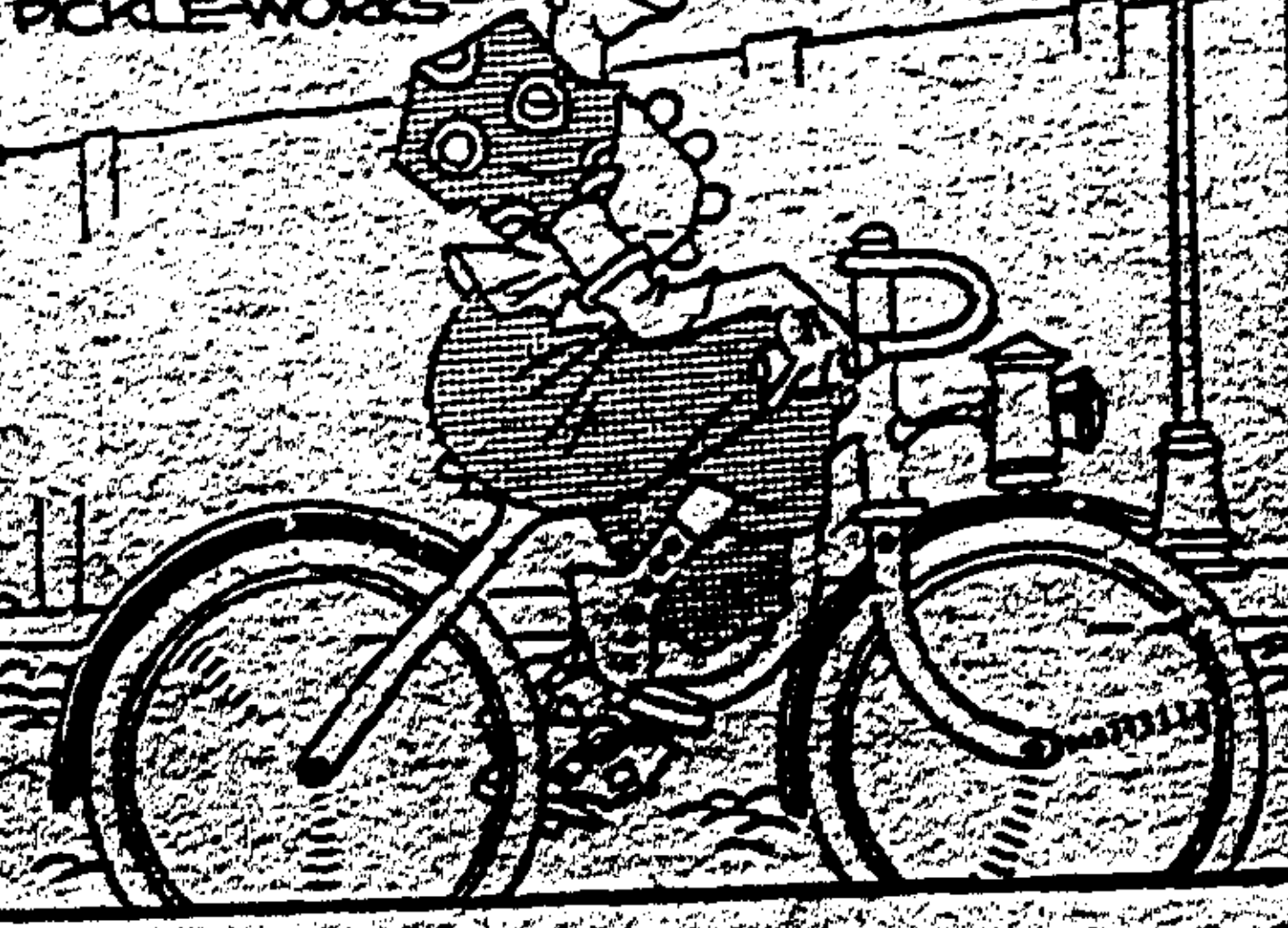
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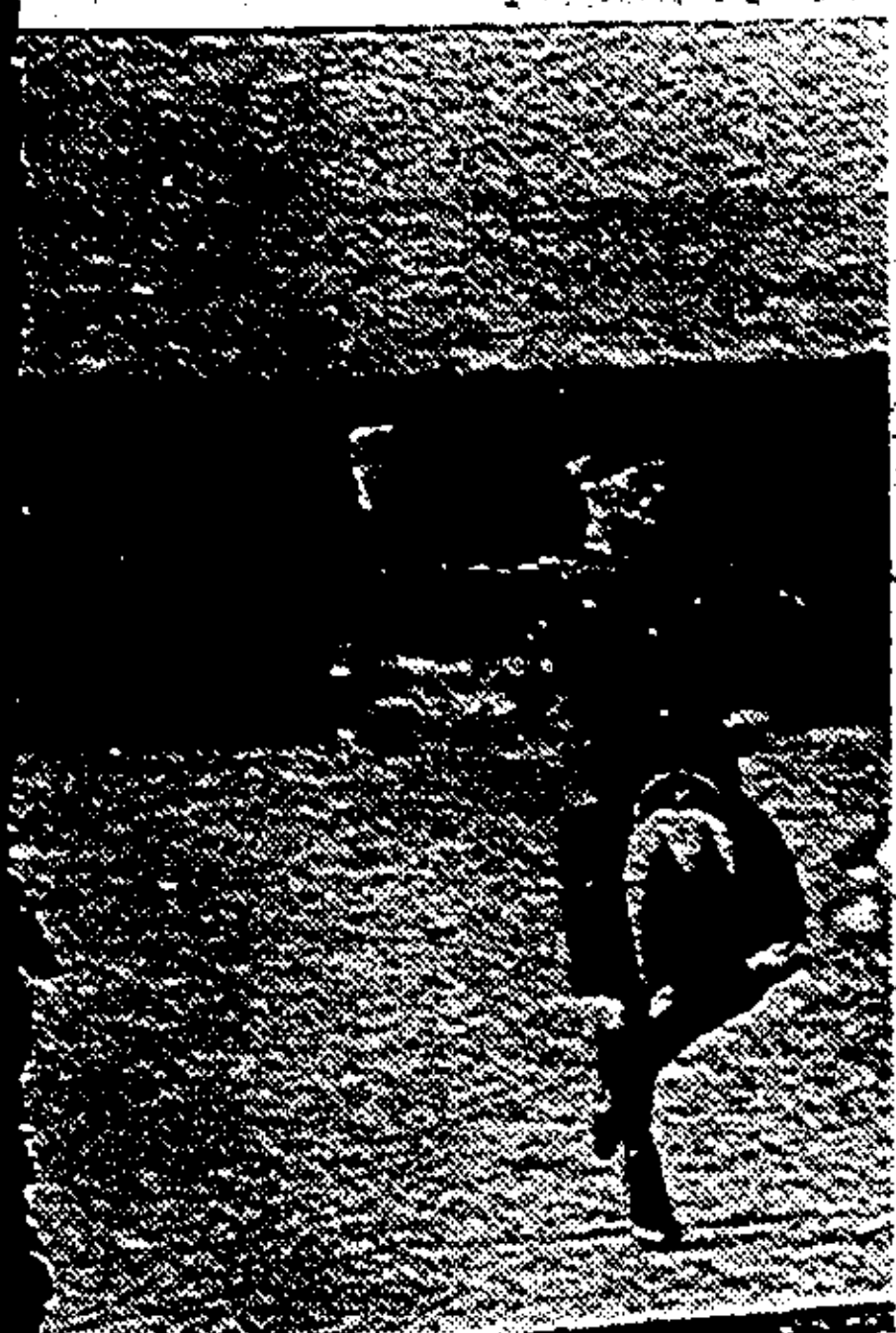
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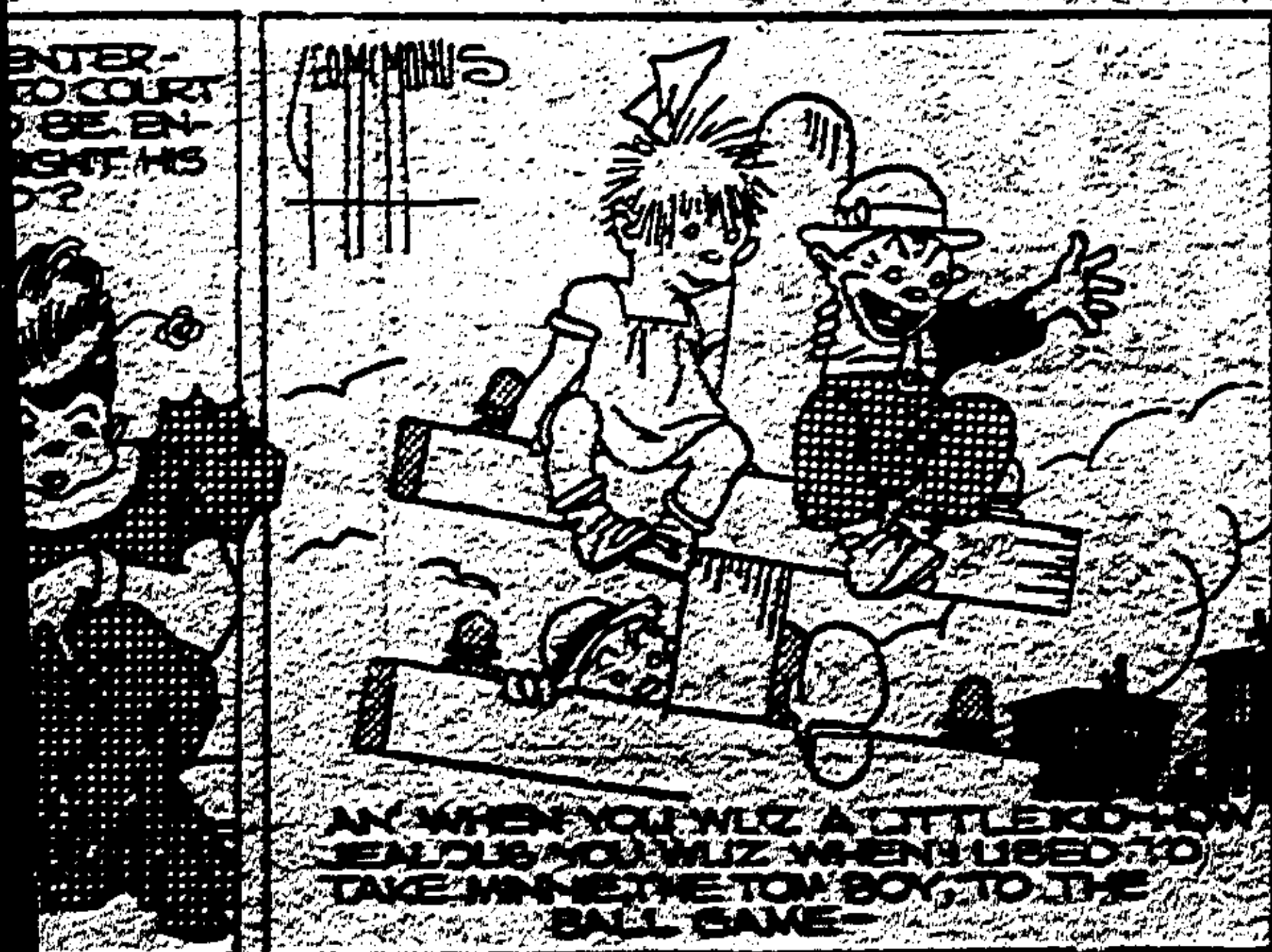
This dramatic picture tells far better than words can describe the reunion of a father and his baby, who were rescued from their inundated home in a Louisville, Ky., suburb—but scenes like this were frequent in the nightmare-ridden cities ravaged by the flood.

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Cpl. Harding is seen above holding the Royal Welch Fusiliers Inter-Company Rugby Trophy which "C" Company won last Monday morning by defeating "A" Company by a goal and a dropped goal (9 points) to nil. The officer is Capt. L.L. Gwydyr Jones, O.C. "C" Company. ("China Mail" photo).

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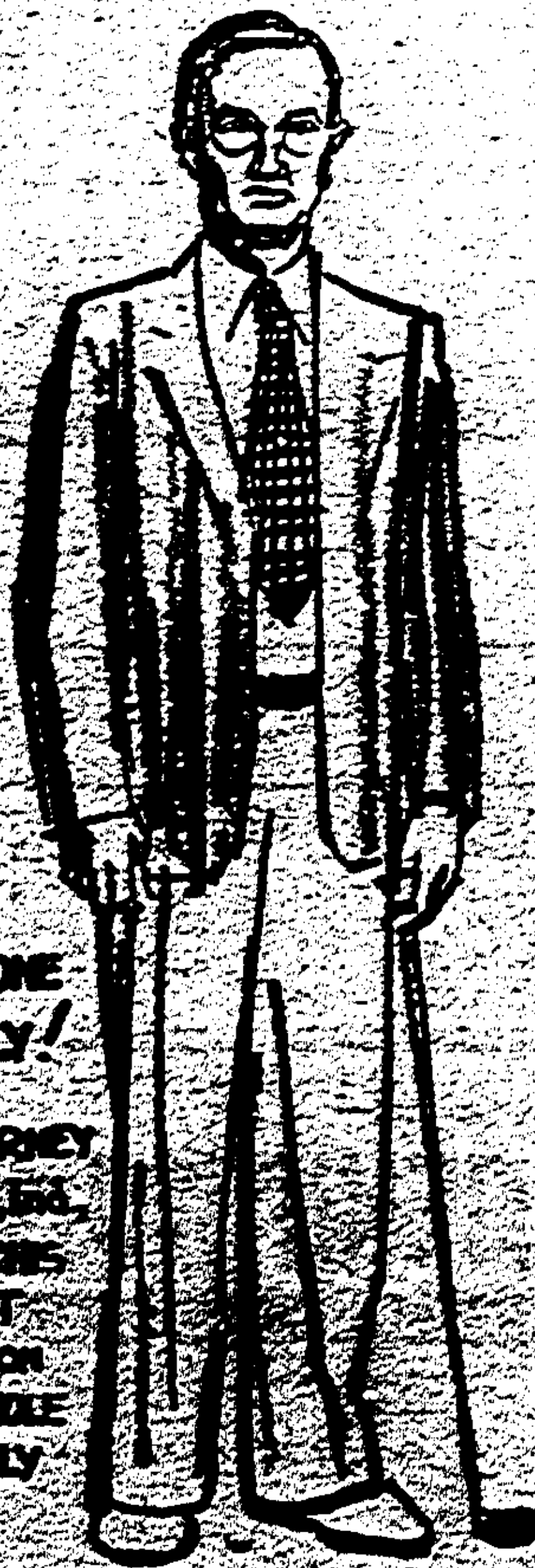


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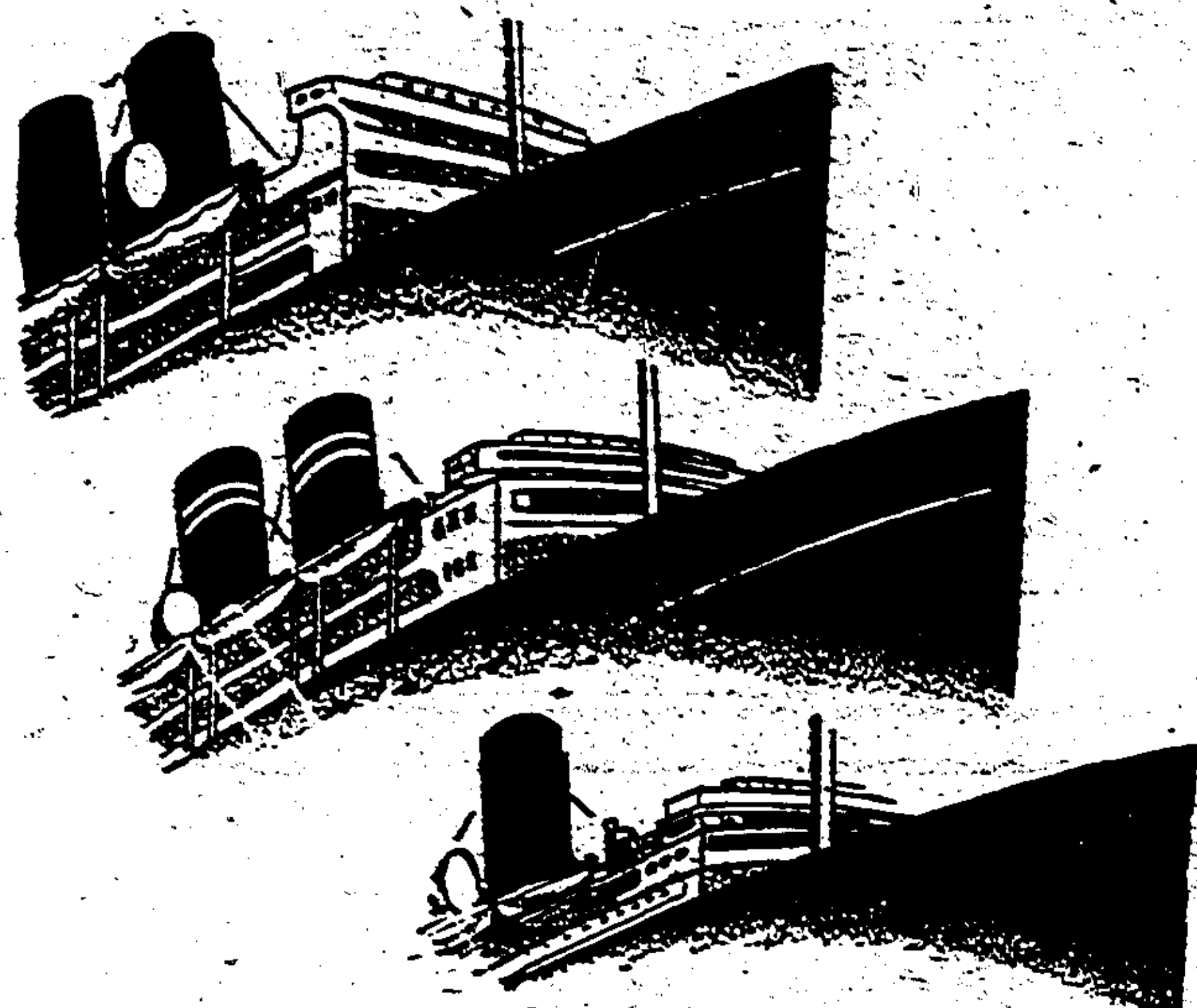
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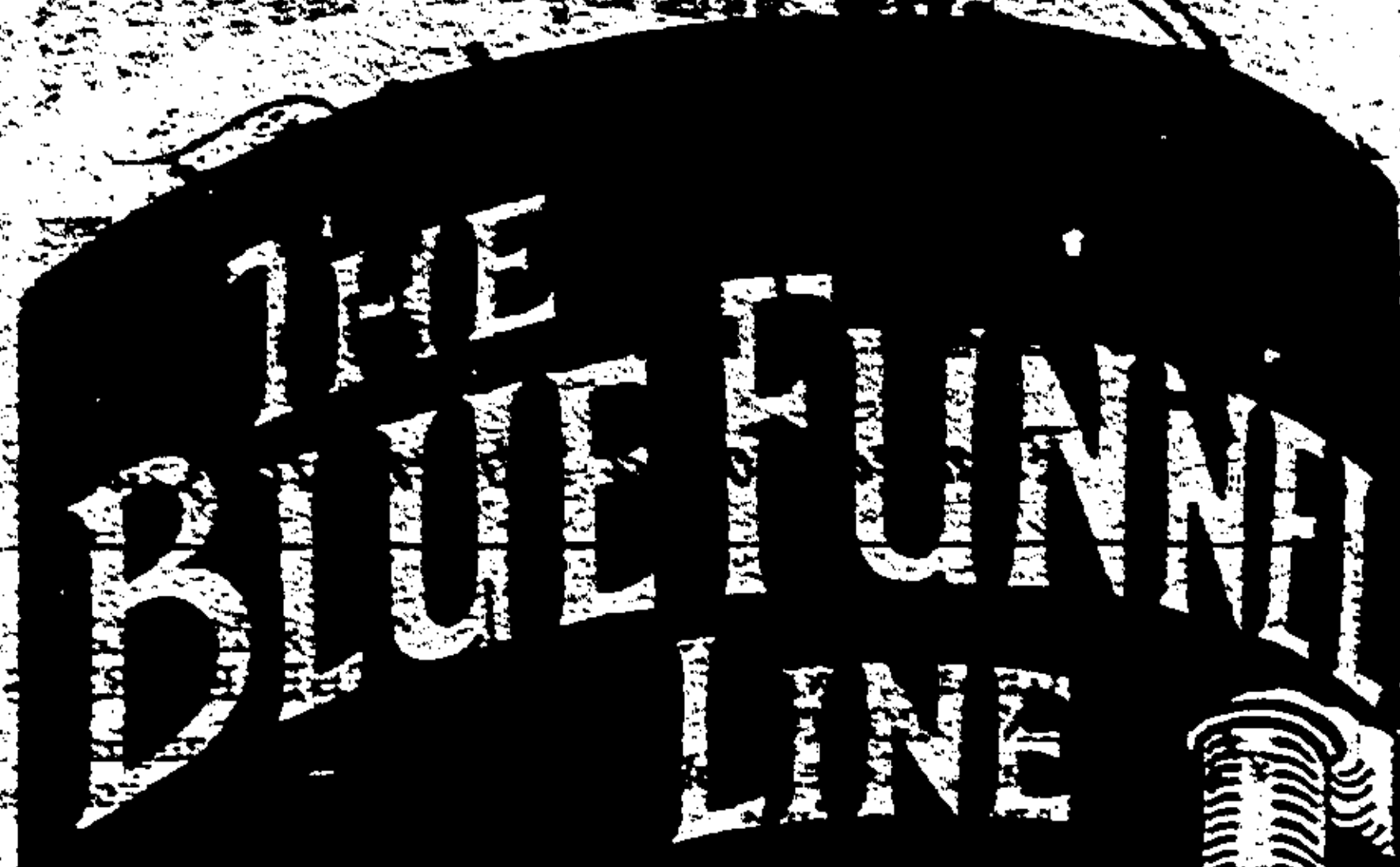
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General Motors Peace

Detroit, To-day.
Agreement as regards hours, wages and working conditions, left unsettled at the end of the recent General Motors strike, may be signed on Monday.

This is according to officials of the Corporation.

Meanwhile work has been resumed in the Murray automobile body corporation and the Briggs body corporation.—Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR

Silver Prices Drop

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20 1/8 and "forward," at 20.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$—U.S.\$4.893.

POLAND SHIPPING ORDER IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.
The Polish steamship line, the Gdynia-Amerika Line, has ordered from Swan, Hunter Wigam and Richardson, the famous Tyneside shipbuilding firm, a motor vessel of 11,000 tons for the South American service.—British Wireless.

HOOVER'S H. K. PASSENGERS

Among the passengers who arrived in the Colony on the s.s. President Hoover this morning were:—Mr. T. H. Brayfield, Miss P. Dimond, Mr. S. E. Edgar, Miss M. Ellis, Mr. H. Odell, Mr. G. R. Payne, and Mr. W. G. Poy.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co. received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw rubber:

Spot	36 1/2	Unchanged
Apr./June	36 1/2	Unchanged
July/Sept.	37	Up 1/4
Oct./Dec.	37	Up 1/4

Market:—Firm.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1850 b., \$1855/- 1860 sa.

Bank of East Asia \$90 b.

INSURANCES

Union Ins. \$624 b., \$627 sa.

H. K. Fire Ins. \$290 sa.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$33 b.

H. K. Steamboats \$9 b.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS,

ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$110 b., \$111 sa.

H. K. and W. Docks \$22 1/2 b., \$22 1/2 sa.

Providents (Old) \$185 b., \$185 sa.

MINING

Raub's \$13 1/2 b.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. and S. Hotels \$615 b., \$5.70/6.20 sa.

H. K. Realities \$4.85 b.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$13.30 b., \$13.35 sa.

Peak Trams (Old) \$4.30 b.

Star Ferries \$85 1/2 b.

China Lights (Old) \$13.90 b.

China Lights (New) \$10.95 b., \$11 sa.

H. K. Electrics \$59 1/2 b., \$59/60 sa.

Sandakan Lights \$11 1/2 b.

Telephones (Old) \$29 1/2 b.

Telephones (New) \$11.30 b., \$11.40 sa.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$11.35 b., \$11.35 sa.

H. K. Ropes \$3.30 b., \$3.35 sa.

STORES, &C.

Dairy Farms \$24 1/2 b., \$24 1/2 sa.

Watsons \$4.35 b., \$4.45 sa.

COTTON MILLS

Shanghai Cottons (Old) \$102 b.

Shanghai Cottons (New) \$107 b.

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Constructions (New) 40 cts. b.

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10 a.m. L. L.

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Antamoks 1.35

Atoks45

Baguio Gold27

Balatoc Mining 14 1/2

Benguet Consol. 14

Benguet Explor. 16

Big Wedge 30 1/2

Coco Grove62

Consolidated Mines045

Demonstrations 90 X Div.

E. Mindanao34

Gumaus G'field28

Igo Gold 29 1/2

I. X. L. 1.45

Itocons 1.45

Masbate Consol.43

Min. Resources 39 1/2

Northern Mining13

Paracale Gumaus68

Salacot Mining07 1/2

San Mauricio 2.85

Suyoc Consol.41

United Paracales34

SUGAR PARLEY

Meeting In London In April

London, To-day.
The international sugar conference will meet in London on April 5, stated the Premier, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, in the House of Commons yesterday.

The English representatives will be the Lord President of the Council, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Secretary for the Colonies, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, and the Secretary for Agriculture, Mr. Herbert Morrison.—Trans-Ocean.

BERLIN BOURSE

Berlin, To-day.
For the first time for many days banks placed buying orders for shares on the Bourse yesterday.
Business, as a result, was animated, though price movements continued erratic, chiefly because of the liquidation announcement of the Dueseldort bank of Matthias, Blum and Co.—Trans-Ocean.

Lo Wai-chia, married woman, of No. 234 Yue Shan Street, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday. She had been bitten by a dog led by a boy.

COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have been received by Reuter:—

	Prev. Closing	Yesterday Closing
New York Cotton:		
March	13.71	13.68
May	13.28	13.25
July	12.99	12.95
October	12.44	12.50
December	12.38	12.45
January	12.38	12.45
Spot	13.87	13.84
New York Rubber:		
March	21.70n	21.90n
May	21.90	22.05
July	22.06	22.21
September	22.06	22.27
December	22.10	22.27n
Chicago Wheat:		
May	133	133 3/4
July	114 3/4	114 3/4
September	111 3/8	111 3/8
Chicago Corn:		
May	106 3/4	106 3/4
July	101 1/8	101 1/8
September	95 5/8	95 5/8
Winnipeg Wheat:		
May	127 1/8	127 1/8
July	122 3/4	123
October	111 1/4	111 3/8

RUBBER EXPORTS

London, To-day.
By a Protocol amending the 1934 agreement between France, Britain, India, Holland and Siam, regulating the production and export of rubber was signed on February 5th and published to-night. Article 4-a of the agreement is amended as follows.

"Netherlands India, 1936: 500,000 tons; 1937, 520,000 tons; 1938, 540,000 tons." The Protocol is in force.—British Wireless.

BANK OF CANTON BRANCH FOR SAN FRANCISCO

Mr. Fok Po-choi, director of The Bank of Canton, Ltd., and son of the well known multimillionaire-philanthropist, Mr. Fok Chi-ting, will sail for San Francisco by the President Hoover on Sunday to arrange for the re-opening of a Branch in that city.

LOCAL TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Weekly Return

In the Colony of Hong Kong including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, the 27th instant, there were altogether 44 traffic accidents, as the result of which 21 persons were injured.

Of the persons injured, 8 were pedestrians, who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles.

One cyclist was injured as the result of a collision between two vehicles. One lorry driver and a passenger were injured when their vehicle ran off the roadway.

One cyclist, a lorry passenger, 1 bus driver and 2 bus passengers were injured when their vehicles collided with trees at 3 different places.

Three lorry passengers were injured through falling from three different moving motor lorries.

A bus passenger was injured while alighting from a moving motor bus.

A Chinese male was knocked down and injured by a motor lorry, number unknown.

Of the 44 accidents, 20 were collisions between vehicles; 10 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; and 14 accidents were due to other causes.

Vehicles.	Numbers.
Private Motor Car	29
Motor Lorry	15
Public Motor Car	3
Motor Bus	6
Motor Cycle	1
Tramcar	1
Bicycle	5
Rickshaw	6

RAUB OUTPUT

"The Hong Kong Stock Exchange have received a cable from Messrs. Derrick & Co. Local Secretaries in Singapore of the Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd. announcing the output for the four weeks ending 27th February to be 2,000 ounces."

The Lloyd Trieste s.s. "Conte Verde" is due from Italy via Singapore to-day at about 11 p.m. and will leave Hong Kong for Shanghai to-morrow at 9 a.m.

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LOCAL RIDERS SHOW GOOD RESULTS

GYPSY LOVE, HAPPY EVE AND GORDITO BEST OF 1937 BATCH

(By "RAPIER")

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SECOND AND FIFTH DAYS, WHEN THE RACE COURSE WAS ENVELOPED IN FOG, THE 1937 ANNUAL RACE MEETING, WHICH TERMINATED LAST SATURDAY, WAS FAVOURED BY GLORIOUS WEATHER—QUITE A HAPPY CONTRAST TO THE PREVIOUS YEAR. IT WAS UNDOUBTEDLY A SUCCESSFUL MEETING IN EVERY RESPECT, AND THERE IS NO DENYING THE FACT THAT IT WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY AS ONE OF THE MOST ENJOYABLE WITHIN RECENT YEARS. CLEAN, WHOLESOME SPORT PREDOMINATED, FOR WHICH FULL CREDIT MUST BE GIVEN TO THE OFFICIALS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB FOR THE SMOOTH RUNNING OF THE ENTIRE ORGANISATION AND THE HARD WORK WHICH CONTRIBUTED IN NO SMALL MEASURE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE MEETING.

CAREFULLY NURSED FOR SOME MONTHS BACK, THE GRASS TRACK WAS IN SPLENDID CONDITION, RESULTING IN FAST TIMES BEING RECORDED. THE ATTENDANCE ON THE WHOLE WAS CERTAINLY SATISFACTORY, ESPECIALLY ON THE LAST DAY, WHEN, AUGMENTED BY AN INVASION OF KIDDIES, WHO THOROUGHLY ENJOYED THEMSELVES, THERE WAS AN ACUTE CONGESTION. THE CASH SWEEPS WERE IN GREAT DEMAND, AND IT MUST CONSTITUTE A RECORD FOR A \$2.00 SWEEP TO PAY THE PHENOMENAL SUM OF \$5,737.20 FOR A WIN ON THE LAST RACE OF THE MEETING.

Mrs. L. Dunbar enjoys the happy distinction of heading the list of successful owners with five wins, three seconds and one third, although the Dynasty Stable have a similar number of wins, but with only one third. Mrs. Dunbar owed her success to Bear Claw (3), Red Feather and Aztec, whilst the Dynasty Stable had to depend on King's Warden to bring in four wins, including the Champion Stakes, and King's Coronation, whose win on the last day was something in the nature of a surprise after its previous failures.

In the absence of Liberty Bay, Mr. Dunbar was deprived of at least four certain winners, in consequence of which he takes third place with four wins, five seconds and three thirds. Mr. Li Lan-sang and the Eve Stable follow in order with four wins each.

To Messrs. R. Lasala and Eddie Souza, joint owners of Gordito, the champion subscription griffin of this year, hearty congratulations must be extended on their outstanding success. With only one pony at their disposal, they carried off no less than four wins and one second, thus giving them an exceptionally handsome return for their investment.

The Jockeys

Once again Mr. Leo Frost, the local favourite, heads the list of most successful jockeys at the Annual Meeting. This was all the more creditable when it is realised that he won this distinction without the assistance of Liberty Bay. At the conclusion of the fourth day's racing, Mr. Frost was only one win ahead of Mr. F. Marshall, and with another day to go there was considerable speculation as to whether he would be able to maintain that slight advantage. Requiring one to tie and two to win, Mr. Marshall brought this keen competition to an interesting stage when he had an unexpected win on King's Coronation in the third race, thus placing himself on equal terms with his sporting opponent. Even after

Mr. Frost took the lead again with another win on Double Finesse, the result was still in a state of uncertainty, as Mr. Marshall was conceded a good chance of scoring a win on Pontiac Bay, but a bad start in the last race robbed him of the opportunity of obtaining equal riding honours with Mr. Frost.

Messrs. T. L. Wong, D. S. Li and V. G. Sung come next, followed by Mr. H. C. Pih. To the regret of his numerous admirers, Mr. V. V. Needa, from whom a great deal was expected, has not enjoyed a successful meeting. He had a solitary win and this was on Happy Eve in the

Derby. Mr. E. C. Leighton has not done too badly, considering that he was riding on a strange course, and had not fully recovered from the effects of a cold which he contracted on the voyage down to Hong Kong.

A perusal of the list of successful jockeys, however, reveals the pleasant fact that our local representatives have certainly done extremely well when compared with the results achieved by the contingent of Northern jockeys. Apart from Mr. Frost and Mr. Pih referred to above, Mr. Don Black, our champion of 1936, had three wins, while Messrs. Norman Deitz and L. C. Harris had two each.

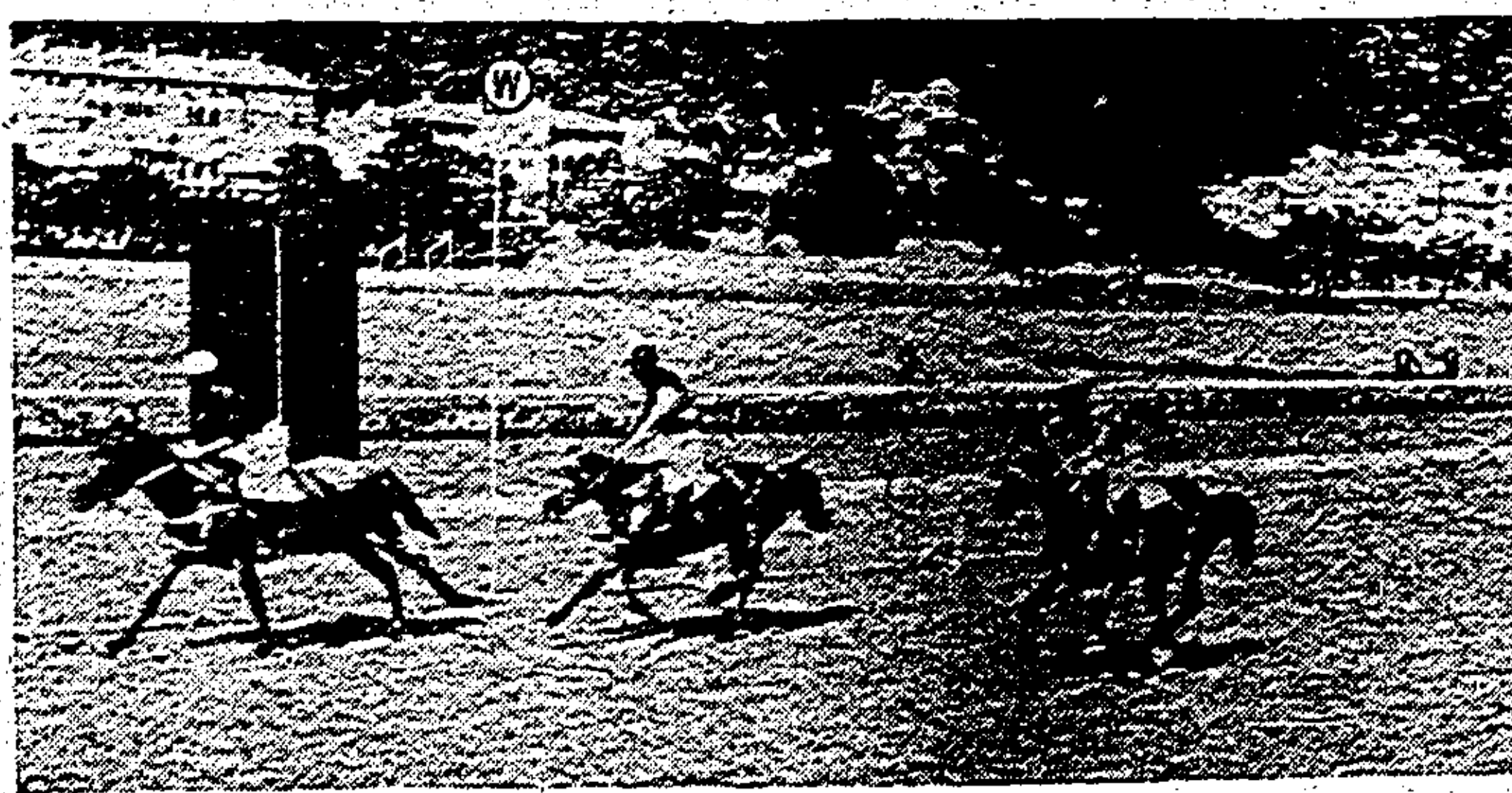
Four Jockeys Thrown

Four jockeys were thrown during the five days of racing. Mr. R. M. Wood from Petroushka (a new Australian griffin), Mr. Deitz from Mariposa (a new subscription griffin), Mr. F. F. Li from Mayflower (an old griffin), from which they suffered no ill effects beyond a shaking up. A word of sympathy must, however, be expressed regarding Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho's unfortunate accident, which was of a more serious nature. Riding High Honour in the Jockey Cup race, Mr. Botelho was violently thrown opposite the stables and was rendered unconscious. Medical attention was immediately forthcoming, and he was found to be suffering from concussion through his head coming into contact with the railing, while he also sustained a dislocated elbow. It may not be generally known that High Honour, belonging to Mr. Li Tze-fong, was responsible for fatally throwing a riding boy one morning last year.

The Records

When three records are broken and two others equalled during an Annual Race Meeting it must be realised that racing was exceptionally keen.

On the first day, in the China



Mr. Ling's Wild Cat, seen above running second to Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rose Evelyn in the Pineapple Handicap last year, had two wins over the 1936 sub. champion at the Annual Meeting. ("China Mail" photo).

Stakes, Bear Claw, ridden by Mr. Frost, equalled the record of Oak Bay over five furlongs in 1.09 2/5.

Under the hard riding of Mr. D. S. Li, Gypsy Love took off no less than 4 2/5 seconds previously set up by Cold Morning in the Rooter-Hill Derby. The time for the whole distance was 2.43 3/5, as compared with 2.48.

Then came Electron's magnificent win over Able Amazon on the fourth day, when, ridden by Mr. Norman Deitz, it broke Strathroy's record by 3/5 secs. for the mile and 171 yards.

On the last day, in the Australian



Mr. Ip Kui Ying, above, had a win, a second and three thirds at the Annual Meeting.

Champions race, Strathroy, ridden by Mr. Black, clipped 1/5 sec. off its 1 1/4 miles record, and later in the day Mr. H. C. Pih rode a grand race on Soldier of Britain to equal the record of King's Warden over the mile and 171 yards.

The New China Griffins

My observations of the new China Griffins during morning training led me to state that this year's lot could only be regarded as moderate, and this was more than confirmed during the five days of racing. A great deal was expected from Rosemary, belonging to Mr. Eu Tong-sen, but in the Hong Kong Derby this pony lacked stamina and ran unplaced. It was left to Happy Eve to spring the surprise. Intended as a dark horse, this pony was kept away from public scrutiny in training, but in a trial gallop Mr. Needa let the cat out of the bag, after which it was confidently expected to win the Derby. Havoc Eve was consistently trained for long distances, whereas Happy Eve had not once been seen to take a trial spin over the Derby distance.

By virtue of its easy win in the Derby, Happy Eve must be regarded as the outstanding new griffin of the year, but it was really a pity that it was kept away from the Champion Stakes, when a clash between it and King's Warden would have been fought out to an exciting finish. However, the time will come sooner or later when these two ponies will have to face the starter together.

Mr. Li Po-chun had the satisfaction of leading in the second pony in the Hong Kong Derby. After winning the Maiden Stakes, when it finished as if it was tired out, Expansion Time was not conceded much of a chance over the longer distance, but, nursed carefully by Mr. Pote-Hunt, it came in second, beating Havoc Eve, which was ridden by Mr. D. S. Li. Having previously won the Trial Plate, Havoc Eve was expected to give a better display than coming in third in the classic event.

Apart from the ponies named above, I have no doubt that Mr. Eu Tong-sen has two good griffins in Potentate and Rob Roy, and they should be well worth watching in forthcoming Extra Race Meetings.

Those who backed King's Coronation when it refused to run during the first four days must have cursed hard and loud when it changed its mind and won on the last day. This pony simply refused to run in the company of other ponies until someone from the Dynasty Stable conceived the brilliant plan of placing King's Highway, its stable mate, next to

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it. King's Coronation then continued running merrily on and gave its owner his fifth win of the meeting.

Mr. L. Dunbar's Commencement Bay was a disappointment, but, as I have stated before, there is something in this pony which has not been properly revealed, and it may take another few months hard training before it is developed. Red Feather did very well to beat Rosemary.

The Old China Griffins

In the absence of Liberty Bay, King's Warden monopolised attention in the events confined to old China Griffins. The long sequence of wins previously enjoyed by Mr. Dunbar in the Champion Stakes was broken when King's Warden withstood a challenge from Diana Bay and thus became the champion for 1937.

In the Foochow Cup, which was won for the past few years by Liberty Bay, Mr. Marshall on King's Warden very nearly had a rude shock when he took things a little too easily. He did not expect to receive such a grand challenge by Mr. Frost on Wild Life. The greater part of the journey was done in a canter, but these two ponies came down the straight abreast, and it was with a great effort that King's Warden secured the verdict by a head. These two ponies again formed the opposition in the Challenge Cup over 1 3/4 miles, but this time Mr. Marshall made no mistake about it and won with half a length to spare.

In the races confined to the old griffins quite the best finish was witnessed in the Chater Cup when Dawn Star, ridden by Mr. D. S. Li, snatched a great win from Bright View by a head. Boolat Bay, ridden by Mr. H. J. Hearne, paid the biggest win dividend when it surprisingly defeated Wild Life in the Gymkhana Stakes.

In the Happy Valley Spring Handicap "A" Division, it was a pity that, due to a misunderstanding, Honeymoon Eve was not entered, otherwise, instead of the record being only equalled, it might easily have been broken.

New Australian Ponies

Coming now to the new Australian ponies, it has been proved beyond a shadow of doubt that, whilst there are several speedy animals among them, there is not one which is capable of extending Strathroy, and it may even be doubted whether any one of them can beat Electron. In spite of its win in the First Section of the Sydney Maiden Stakes, Gypsy Love was not regarded as being superior to the other entrants in the Rooty-Hill Derby, but full credit must be given to Mr. D. S. Li, who handled his mount so well that the record for this race was easily shattered. Lancashire Chips is the next best, as it won the second section of the Sydney Maiden Stakes and came in second in the Rooty-Hill Derby. For the classic Discovery Bay and Courting Eve were strongly fancied, but the initial pace set up by Lancashire Chips and Aztec was so fast that they were unable to keep up, although Courting Eve secured third place. The ponies named above, in addition to Katinka and Llanarmon, turned out to be the best. In appearance Dick Turpin looks a beauty, but it has as yet to be fully developed in its last quarter run. I recommend bearing



S. A. Fowler, above, the Club right-winger, has secured his first Interport hockey honours and will be seen on the right wing of the Colony side against Macau next Sunday.

Amulette in mind, as I believe that further training will bring out the best in this pony.

Old Australian Animals

Strathroy, belonging to Mr. J. F. Macgregor, stands supreme. The long awaited clash between it and Able Amazon took place in the Melbourne Cup over 1 1/4 miles, and Strathroy proved its superiority in no uncertain manner. There is no doubt that Strathroy will continue to win races for its lucky owner for some time to come, and although it was defeated by Strathroy in the Australian Champions, I think that Gypsy Love, when fully developed, will be the only pony to extend Strathroy.

Electron came second to Strathroy in the Melbourne Cup, but it made no mistake about winning the Adelaide Stakes, inflicting a second defeat on Able Amazon in record time. Electron also did well in taking second place in the Australian Champions, beating Gypsy Love.

In the Coral Plate over six furlongs, Holiday Eve, ridden by Mr. Marshall, won fairly easily, but had it not been for the fact that Double Finesse was hampered by a bad start, there might have been a close finish. Double Finesse, however, made amends on the last day when Mr. Frost was given the mount and it won the Flemington Plate fairly easily. Due to its numerous failures at extra race meetings last year, Saucy Face was not heavily backed in the Bendigo Stakes, and it came as a surprise when it won, beating Snowy River after a fast race.

New Subscription Griffins

After coming in second in the Valley Stakes, Gordito was a marked pony, and it soon became evident that there was nothing to prevent this sturdy little animal from winning races. Gordito has turned out to be the champion subscription griffin, and it must have been a source of gratification to its joint owners to have led in this pony on each occasion it started. Elephant, as it came in second in the Professional Cup and Subscription Griffins Champions, must be regarded as the next best to Gordito. Then comes Coronation Day and Pagan Love. I may be wrong, but I cannot help feeling that Coronation Day was not given sufficiently hard training before taking part in the Valley Stakes. It showed improvement later, and in another few months more I expect to see it giving Gordito a better fight. Pagan Love proved dangerous over short distances, but it has yet to develop its stamina.

In order of merit, Mariposa comes next, followed by Tempest and Atomic Star, but special attention must in future be paid to Shipmaster, Radium and Whalsey,

BODIKER DEFEATED BY F. H. KWOK

FINCHER ELIMINATES WILLY HUNG

G. CHOA'S FINE DISPLAY

(By "ADREM")

THE only upset in the tennis at the Hong Kong C. C. yesterday afternoon, was the surprising defeat of G. Bodiker by H. Kwok. Bodiker started off well, and won the first set fairly easily as the result of powerful driving on both hands. Kwok then found his touch, retrieved everything and combining a subtle variation in length, with an occasional net sortie, completely demoralised Bodiker who, in the last two sets, when he only won two games, could do nothing right.

THIS MATCH SERVED AS A VERY APT ILLUSTRATION THAT EVEN IN HONG KONG, TO BECOME A REALLY FIRST-CLASS TENNIS PLAYER, ONE MUST DEVELOP AN ALL-ROUND GAME. BODIKER IS COMPETENT TO INDULGE IN GOOD LENGTH DRIVING BOUTS INDEFINITELY, BUT AGAINST A VARIATION OF LENGTH AND PACE AS EXPLOITED BY KWOK, HE HAD NO COUNTER.

In excuse for him, however, it must be borne in mind that he has played a great deal of tennis on hard courts and on the soft spongy surface yesterday, he was obviously handicapped.

BEST GAME

The finest singles game to date was seen between Teddy Fincher and Willie Hung, which the former won after a keen struggle. Both players made attack the basis of their play, and took the net at every available opportunity. After a ding-dong battle in the first two sets, which both went to 14 games, Fincher's superior ground-strokes won him the day, and by dint of some miraculous return volleys and half-volleys, he completely swept Hung off his feet to win the final set, with the loss of only one game.

The feature of the encounter between the Rumjahn cousins and Leonard and G. Choa, was not the victory of the former, which was a foregone conclusion, but the excellent form displayed by George Choa, who is making his first appearance in championship tennis.

VERY COOL

A youth of only 16 years of age, he showed remarkable coolness, and refusing to be upset by the formidable opposition and the huge crowd of spectators, played a most dashing game. He has modelled himself on orthodox lines, has a fine service, severe ground-strokes and hits his volley. I see in him a champion in the making.

In the remaining games, W. M. Cheung and M. C. Hung accounted for F. R. Zimmermann and Donald Anderson, more through superior combination, than skill, and Y. C.

as well as Tze Tin.

Old Subscription Griffins

During morning training Wadebridge appeared to me as if it was in fine condition, and yet it failed miserably at the Annual Meeting, as was the case last year. It was certainly a disappointment. Bistre proved itself the best among the old brigade, and its win over Wild Cat in the Garrison Cup was a fine piece of work. In the Royal Naval Cup, Wild Cat came into its own with a brilliant win over Rose Evelyn, which in turn defeated Tin Star in the same race. The table were turned, however, in the Northern Stakes, when Tiny Star won fairly easily.

Lau and H. N. Lee, of the University beat Barton and Bowker.

Owing to the death of the father of Lu Tak-lam, the match between Tsui Wai-pui and Paul Kong and Lu and Luk Chun-chung was not played. I understand that Tsui and Kong will probably be given a walk-over.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

The following were yesterday's Results.

Open Singles

F. H. Kwok beat G. Bodiker 3-6, 6-0, 6-2.
E. C. Fincher beat W. C. Hung 8-6, 6-8, 6-1.

Open Doubles

W. M. Cheung and M. C. Hung beat F. R. Zimmermann and D. N. Anderson 6-1, 7-5.
Y. C. Lau and H. N. Lee beat W. M. Barton and A. C. I. Bowker 9-7, 6-2.
S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn beat J. W. Leonard and G. Choa 6-2, 6-4.

Club Handicap Singles

W. Wooding (+ 3/6) beat A. S. Read (+ 1/6) 6-2, 6-1.
R. M. Wood (+ 3/6) beat F. A. Dunnett (+ 5/6) 6-4, 6-0.
V. R. Gordon (Scr.) beat E. H. Williams (+ 4/6) 6-2, 3-6, 6-1.

MIXED DOUBLES BADMINTON

Two Fixtures For To-night

RECREIO SHOULD WIN BOTH

Two fixtures in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League will be decided this evening. Club de Recreio "A", who are visiting the University, should encounter no difficulty in retaining their unbeaten record.

At King's Park, Recreio "B" will entertain the St. John's Club.

Although the Portuguese are favoured to win, their guests will probably put up a strong resistance, and may cause an upset.

TO-NIGHT'S TEAMS

Recreio "A"—M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva; J. J. Remedios and Miss C. Silva, L. A. Carvalho and Miss Olga Ribeiro Jr.

University—K. L. Yong and Miss Ulian Khoo; P. K. Hui and Miss J. Choa, and T. C. Lee and Miss J. Anderson.

Recreio "B"—A. E. Xavier and Miss S. Remedios, H. A. Barros and Miss M. Ribeiro, E. da Sousa and Miss O. Osmund.

St. John's—D. Kwok and Miss P. McCaw, A. J. Bennett and Miss M. Smith, G. A. Smith and Mrs. Penny.

SIX NEW RECORDS AT WAH YAN ATHLETIC MEET

Wong Yan Hing In
Limelight

SAN CHUNG KIN'S 3 NEW MARKS

Two students, Wong Yan-hing and San Chung-kin, shattered six records at the 12th annual sports meeting of the Wah Yan College, which was held at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon.

Wong shattered the 1,500 metres record of 5 minutes and 7 seconds, by clocking 4 minutes and 52.2 seconds, broke the 800 metres record of 2 minutes and 18 seconds, by clocking 2 minutes and 15.8 seconds, and also the 400 metres in which he was clocked at 59.8 seconds as against the previous record of 60.6 seconds.

At the conclusions of the meetings, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, distributed the prizes.

The following were the results of the meeting:—

100 Metres A Grade:—1 Sun Hay-nong (Black House), 2 Francis Chan (Purple House), 3 Lo Kai-chiu (Green House). Time: 12 secs.

Long Jump "B" Grade:—1 Tan Tung-wah (White House), 2 So Kim-fan (Black House), 3 Li Luen-chi (Red House).

100 Metres C Grade:—1 Chiu Man-bing (White House), 2 Yeung To-leng (Green House), 3 Mok Man-tai (Blue House). Time: 15.6 secs.

800 Metres A Grade:—1 Wong Yan-hing (Purple House), 2 Ho Kei-yiu (Green House), 3 Ari (Red House). Time: (Record) 2 mins. 15.8 secs.

100 Metres B Grade:—1 Ho Tai-fan (White House), 2 Tong Shiu-hang (Black House), 3 Lee Ting-shung (Green House). Time: 12.6 secs.

Long Jump A Grade:—1 Ng Yat-lam (Red House), 2 Lo Kai-chiu (Green House), 3 Chan Man-wing (Yellow House). Dist: 19ft. ½ in.

800 Metres B Grade:—1 Fung Kim-hing (Blue House), 2 Ho Sai-man (Black House), 3 Kan Cheuk-chen (Purple House). Time: 2 mins. 41 secs.

100 Metres Handicap (Small Boys):—1 Lam Tak-chong, 2 Anthony Young. Time: 13.6 secs.

400 Metres Handicap (Senior Boys of Kowloon Branch):—1 Chan Kwok-chiu, 2 Ho Sai-kit. Time: 63 secs.

Pole Vault B Grade:—1 Yeung Sze-ye (White House), 2 Fung Shu-shit (Purple House), 3 Au Yeung-kin (Red House). Height: 7 ft. 11 ins.

200 Metres A Grade:—1 San Chung-kin (Blue House), 2 Francis Chao (Purple House), 3 Lee Yiu-kwong (Red House). Time: (Record) 25.4 secs.

200 Metres C Grade:—1 Chiu Man-ping (White House), 2 Yeung To-long (Green House), 3 Wong Fook-chee (Blue House). Time: 32.4 secs.

200 Metres B Grade:—1 Ho Tai-fan (White House), 2 Tong Shiu-hang (Black House), 3 Poon Wing-kwong (Purple House). Time: 26.4 secs.

High Jump A Grade:—1 San Chung-kin (Blue House), 2 Cheung Yan-lin (Yellow House), 3 Chung Shiu-lui (Purple House). Height: 5 ft. 5 ins.

Relay Race Open to the Convents in the Colony:—Won by the French Convent.

200 Metres Handicap (Senior Boys of Wah Yan College):—1 Ho Shiu-ping, 2 Lan Chak-po.

200 Metres Handicap (Junior Boys of Kowloon Branch):—1 Lau Kam-lam, 2 Lai Kan-leung. Time: 28.2 secs.

High Jump B Grade:—1 Tan Tung-wah (White House), 2 Lo Cho-man (Purple House), 3 Lui Sik-kwan (Black House).

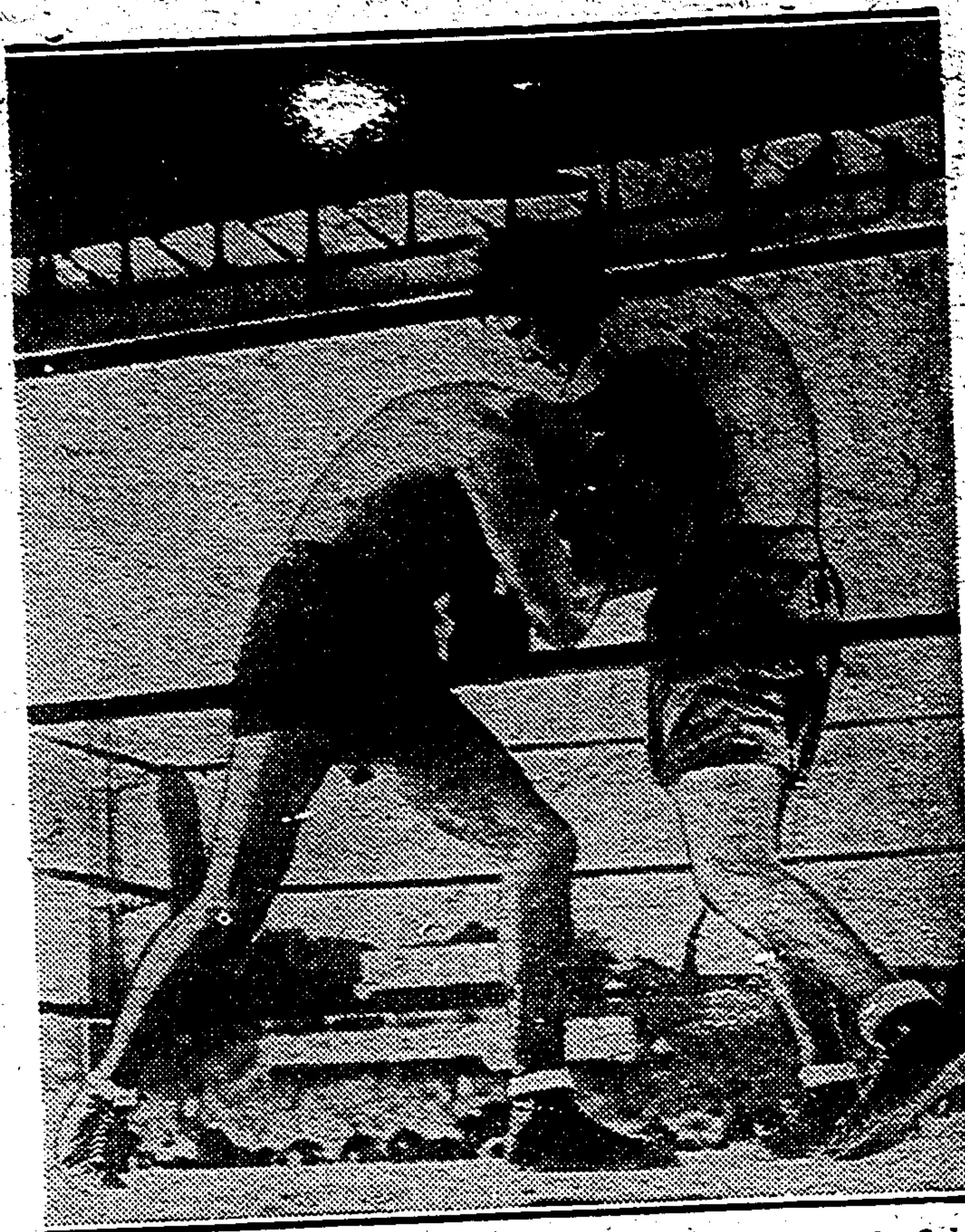
400 Metres A Grade:—1 Wong Yan-hing (Purple House), 2 Sun Hay-nong (Black House), 3 Lee Yiu-kwong (Red House). Time: (Record) 59.8 secs.

100 Metres Handicap (Junior Boys of Wah Yee College):—1 Li Chi-wan, 2 Li Ping-yin. Time: 18.8 secs.

1,500 Metres Race (Open to Army and Navy):—1 Berge, 2 MacKenna, 3 Pickering. Time: 4 mins. 56.2 secs.

800 Metres (Open to Ricci Hall Undergraduates):—1 Ullric, 2 Brandt. Time: 2 mins. 32.2 secs.

Pole Vault A Grade:—1 Fung Shu-shit (Purple Hall), 2 Wong Cheung-



Walter Neusel, of Germany, is seen above on the left, in the fight against Max Schmeling, also of Germany, for the European Heavy-weight title which the latter won on a technical knock-out.

Oxford Row Full Course

London, To-day.

The Oxford University boat race crew yesterday carried out their first full course trial from Mortlake to Putney in the time of 19 minutes 28 seconds.

This is considered satisfactory since, although they were favoured with a good ebb tide, there was a strong head wind and choppy water.—Reuter.

London, Yesterday.—Blue Prince has been scratched for the Grand National while Drinmore Lad is a very doubtful starter.—Reuter.

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Enjoyable Four
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A very enjoyable golf match took place last Wednesday afternoon, at Shek-O between the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps and the Shek-O Club.

Fourballs over 18 holes were played and the match finished all square, both sides being 10 holes up.

Detailed results were as follows, the first named played in each case being the members of the H.K.V.D.C. team:—

H.E. Sir Andrew Caldecott and Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin lost to H. R. Sturt and L. C. F. Bellamy (3 up);

E. J. R. Mitchell and K. S. Robertson (5 up) beat Colonel Blake and Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell;

R. D. Walker and D. B. Evans lost to R. Young and Dr. C. H. Burton (2 up);

R. G. Parker and W. Sharp finished all square with A. C. I. Bowker and C. C. Black;

A. L. G. Eastman and W. R. K. Collins (1 up) beat E. Davidson and Captain W. J. R. Cragg. The latter, with an injured hand, played a very good game using the left hand only.

A. Urquhart and H. Owen Hughes (4 up) beat D. Drummond and L. M. S. Lloyd.

J. A. R. Selby and G. V. Bird finished all square with A. H. Forbes and H. S. Hills.

W. Keith Robinson and R. H. Griffiths lost to W. J. Waddington and Major Churcher (5 up).

In the first match on January 13, the Club were successful by 10 holes to 3. In Wednesday's Return Match, the Club team were the guests of the Volunteers. It is hoped that further contests will be arranged.

C.B.A. MAMAK WIN OVER R.E.

On the United Services Recreation Club ground yesterday, the Central British Association defeated the Engineers by two clear goals in the "A" Division of the Mamak Hockey Competition. G. H. Fowler netted both goals.

GOOD DOUBLES MATCH FOR THIS AFTERNOON

Colony Tennis Ties Continue

STYLIST WILL BE ON VIEW

There is only one Open Lawn Tennis match that appears at all interesting down for decision this afternoon, when E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung meet A. L. Sullivan and H. Owen Hughes in the Doubles Event.

The former pair, who were finalists last year, should have no difficulty in reaching the next round in straight sets, but their opponents, provided they have an "on" day, may manage to extend them quite considerably.

Ma Chin-chong, who recently returned from England, will be seen in opposition to S. W. Liang, one of the most stylish players in the competition in the Singles event, and a very close match should eventuate.

The following is to-day's programme:

TO-DAY

Open Singles

S. W. Liang v. Ma Chin-chong; C. P. Ip v. G. Choa; Wai Chung v. S. S. Hussain.

Open Doubles

B. O. M. Deane and J. F. Leys v. E. L. H. Shute and K. Shute; E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v. A. L. Sullivan and H. Owen Hughes.

Club Championship

E. M. Bryden v. Dr. L. T. Ride; J. T. B. Evans v. L. R. Andrews; G. E. R. Divet v. F. V. Harrison.

A. J. OSMUND REACHES FINAL ROUND LAST NIGHT'S BILLIARDS

A. J. Osmund, the Colony Billiards Champion, had little difficulty of disposing of Pong Shi-piu in the second Semi-Final match of the Senior Billiards Championship of the Colony at the Kowloon Cricket Club last night. Osmund won by 750 points to 438, and was roundly applauded at the conclusion of the game by the large gathering of billiards enthusiasts.

Osmund's best breaks were in the following order: 37, 72, 82, 53, 57, 82 and 30. Pong made breaks of 38, 24, 31, 44 and 27.

Osmund will meet Lam Cho-chai, who defeated M. N. Rakusen last Tuesday, in the final match to be played next week, probably in the Club Lusitano.

WELSH RUGGER XV.

London, To-day.

The following have been selected to represent Wales against Ireland in the International Rugby series at Belfast on March 13:

Jenkins; I. Rees, Claude Davey, Wooller, and Clement; Haydn Tanner and Davies; Travers, Williams, Ivor Bennett (Aberavon); Thomas, H. Rees; Watkins; A. R. Taylor (Cross Keys) and A. M. Rees—Reuter.

A. G. K. BROWN'S FEAT

London, To-day.

A. G. K. Brown, of Cambridge University, who came second in the 1936 World Olympic 400 Metres event, yesterday broke the British record for the 300 Yards sprint which he covered in 30.5-10 secs, beating Guy Butler's previous best time by one tenth of a second.—Reuter.

BRADMAN'S AMAZING AVERAGE

HAMMOND SECOND FAR BEHIND

AUSSIES LEAD IN BOWLING

Don Bradman's amazing cricket figures, overshadow everything else in the Test Match averages published below. The inimitable Don, has scored nearly twice as many runs as anyone else on either side, returning an average of 90.00 for an aggregate of 810 in nine innings, all of which were completed.

Hammond comes next with an average of 53.50. Apart from him, the only other Englishmen to figure at all prominently are Barnett and Leyland with 43.89 and 55.13, respectively.

The Australian authorities must be very pleased at the fine showing of several of the younger members of their team. Maurice Sievers heads the bowling figures for both teams and Nash, who was only brought in for the vital Fifth Test, acquitted himself with great credit. Ross Gregory and Badcock, who were both "blooded" over the series, also showed up well.

ENGLAND

	Batting		Highest Not		Inns	Runs	score	out	Avg
Hammond	9	468	231*	1	58.50				
Leyland	9	441	126	1	55.13				
Barnett	9	395	129	0	43.89				
Hardstaff	9	256	83	0	28.44				
R. E. S. Wyatt	4	100	50	0	25.00				
R. W. V. Robins	6	113	61	0	18.83				
G. O. Allen									
(capt.)	9	150	68	1	18.75				
Ames	9	164	50	0	18.22				
Fagg	3	42	27	0	14.09				
Worthington	6	74	44	0	12.33				
Verity	9	75	19	2	10.71				
Voce	8	19	8	3	3.80				
Sims	2	3	3	0	1.50				

* Indicates "not out."

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg
Voce	162.1	20	560	26	21.54
K. Farnes	73.3	8	256	11	23.27
Hammond	88.4	8	301	12	25.08
G. O. Allen	128.7	12	526	17	30.94
Verity	195.7	57	455	10	45.50
R. W. V. Robins	56	3	220	4	55.00
Sims	51	2	244	3	81.33
Barnett	5	1	15	0	00.00
Worthington	10	0	78	0	00.00
Leyland	5	0	32	0	00.00

AUSTRALIA

	Batting		Highest Not		Inns	Runs	score	out	Avg
D. G. Bradman									
(capt.)	9	810	270	0	90.00				
S. J. McCabe	9	491	112	0	54.55				
E. Gregory	3	153	80	0	51.00				
J. H. Fingleton	9	398	136	0	44.22				
A. G.									
Chipperfield	6	155	57*	2	38.75				
C. L. Badcock	4	128	118	0	32.00				
W. A. Brown	4	95	42	0	23.75				
K. Rigg	5	118	47	0	23.60				
L. E. Nash	1	17	17	0	17.00				
M. Sievers	6	67	25*	1	12.40				
L. S. Darling	2	20	20	0	10.00				
W. A. Oldfield	9	79	27*	1	9.88				
L. P. O'Brien	2	17	17	0	8.50				
W. J. O'Reilly	9	56	37*	1	7.00				
E. L. McCormick	6	33	17*	1	6.60				
L. O'Brien									
Fleetwood-Smith	4	18	13	1	6.00				
F. Ward	6	27	18	1	5.40				
R. Robinson	2	5	3	0	2.50				

* Indicates "not out."

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg
M. Sievers	75.2	25	161	9	17.88
L. E. Nash	24.5	2	104	5	20.80
W. J. O'Reilly	247.6	39	555	25	22.20
L. O'Brien					
Fleetwood-Smith	131.4	20	463	19	24.37
E. L. McCormick	34	6	316	11	28.73
S. J. McCabe	42	5	128	4	32.00
F. Ward	136	28	432	11	39.27
A. G. Chipperfield	43	8	136	0	00.00
R. Gregory	3	0	14	0	00.00

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Fears Dispelled In Spite Of Valuable Site

London, February 8.

It is pleasing to hear that there is no danger of the Melbury L.T.C., whose lease expires in May, 1938, shutting down, as have so many London lawn tennis clubs, notably, West Side Country Club, Hampstead, West Kensington and Chelsea, in recent years. A new deed has just been signed by Melbury for an extension of the lease, which can no doubt be further extended.

With ground in London so valuable it is really wonderful that clubs right in the centre like Melbury and Queen's Club keep alive. It is believed, however, that Queen's own their spacious grounds at West Kensington.

INTERPORT HOCKEY TEAM FULLY EXTENDED

But Portugal Halves In The Limelight

PROSPECTS NOT VERY BRIGHT

The Probable Interport hockey team was seen in action yesterday in their first practice match together when they beat the Portugal International side, with several substitutes by two clear goals in a very fast encounter featured by a splendid Portuguese defence, which held out for the major portion of the game.

For the Interporters, Gosano was the pick of the two backs, although he commenced very shakily, while Guest put in much hard work, but all to no purpose as he invariably played the obvious shot and had his pass intercepted by one of the opposing halves.

Gonsalves was the best half-back, both Brown and Reed, experiencing off-days, although the latter improved greatly in the closing stages when he made his first attempt to score for a long time, but saw his shot blocked by Rodrigues.

Pyrar Singh and Nerain Singh were the pick of a fast forward line which lacked the finishing touches, while Wright occasionally came into the picture.

FINE TRIO

Rodrigues was outstanding in the opposing team, his clearances from the left-back position always finding one of his forwards, but the outstanding feature of the Portugal team was their splendid intermediate line, where Hassan, an Interport reserve, gave a grand display in the pivotal berth, receiving excellent support from T. Alves and R. Marques, both of whom should make the Colony team next season without much difficulty.

B. Gosano was their most thrustful forward, but was unsupported, P. Pinto being off-side for the majority of the game and spoiling several potential scoring chances. Wright and S. Fowler scored for the Interport team in the second half.

C.R.C. BADMINTON WIN OVER FREE LANCES

In a postponed Mixed Doubles Badminton League match on Wednesday night, the Chinese Recreation Club beat the Free Lances by 5 games to 4 at Causeway Bay.

ENTRIES FOR FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING

March 13 At The Valley

The following are the entries for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, March 13, 1937.

1.—THE "HAY AND CORN" STAKES.—Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$150. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffiths of this Club of any Season that have started at least twice since 19th February, 1937, and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

Aramis (149), Copper Idol (155), Heriot (161), Inca (155), Mac's Adventure (152), Malolo (158), Ocean View (152), Philanderer (158), Racing Boy (155), Rose Evelyn (158), Stopwatch (152), Wadebridge (161) and Weedon Seat (158).

2.—THE "LOITERERS" STAKES.—Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$150. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffiths of this Season that have started at least twice and have not won. Weight: 10 lb. under weight for inches. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. Jockeys, 2 lb. penalty for each race won: maximum penalty 10 lb. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5. Seven Furlongs.

Centre Forward (151), Firefly (148), King's Highway (148), Kum Shan (148), Laughing Cavalier (151), Rob Roy (151), Tim (151) and Vira (151).

3.—THE "ALL OUT" STAKES.—Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$150. For China Ponies that have started at least twice since 19th February, 1937, and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

Amberley (158), Bright View (161), Election Time (161), Honeymoon Eve (161), King's Bounty (158), King's Justice (158), King's Lead (161), Laughing Girl (158), Mistake Bay (161), Oak Bay (161), Rose-Queen (158), Tyne (161) and Ythan (158).

4.—THE RANDWICK PLATE.—Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$150. For Australian Subscription Ponies of this Season that have started and have not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Boronia Belle (152), Bravado (155), Courting Eve (155), Dick Turpin (155), Lazilli (152), Noggin (152), Petroushka (152), Precious Stream (152), Roofly (152), Solerina (152), Such Fun (152), The Right Time (152) and Twilight Star (152).

5. or 7.—THE TYTAM HANDICAP.—"A" or "B" Division.—Winner \$600. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffiths of this Club of this Season that have started at least twice. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

Arary, China Clipper, Coronation Day, Election Day, Fellar, Feudal Knight, Flying Arrow, Gordito, Happy Venture, Helephant, Inca, Lancashire Tich, Mac's Adventure, Mariposa, National Anthem, National Faith, Pagan Love, Persian Cat, Playboy, Prospero, Radium, Shipmaster, Tempest, Whalsey and Yum Sing.

6. or 8.—THE HONG KONG HANDICAP.—"A" or "B" Division.—Winner \$600. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies that have started since 19th February, 1937. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

Aire, Amberley, Bear Claw, Bistre, Bright View, Commencement Bay, Cosack's Beauty, Diana Bay, Flybynight, Gladiator, Havoc Eve, Jungle Jim, King's Jubilee, King's Lead, New Star, Pontiac Bay, Royal Highness, Soldier of Britain, Soldier of Peace, Thunder Bay, Tyne, Valorous, Wadebridge and Ythan.

9.—THE MOONIE PONDS HANDICAP.—Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$150. For Australian Subscription Ponies of any Season that have started since 19th February, 1937, and have not won. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Australian Boy, Bag Tor, Centre Court, Derby Day, Honey, Just That, Racing Heart, Ranger, Snowy River and Vixen Tor.

Stoke City directors are unanimously in favour of the two referee system.

LAWN BOWLS MEETING FOR MARCH 18

Three Divisions Suggested

THREE NEW CLUBS TO APPLY?

The advisability of having three divisions in order to shorten the bowls season was discussed by the Council of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association at a meeting held in the Board-room of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., yesterday evening to make arrangements for the year.

Mr. C. J. Tacchi, President of the Association, was in the chair and was supported by Mr. C. B. Hosking (Hon. Secretary), Mr. G. E. F. Thompson (Hon. Treasurer) and representatives of various clubs affiliated to the Association. The date of the annual general meeting was fixed for Thursday, March 18.

NEW CLUBS

The Chairman said he had been informed unofficially that one or two new teams would be entering the League this year, and he thought the time had come when they should run three divisions.

Mr. J. Russell strongly supported the suggested and proposed that the Association should adopt a system of promotion and relegation, to be effected compulsorily in all cases.

ONE TEAM EACH

It was further suggested that each club should start with not more than one team in any division, but thereafter promotion and relegation would be compulsory.

A suggestion was made that the Hon. Secretary of the Association should write to the Hon. Secretaries of the Kowloon Tong Club, Chinese R.C. and the Kowloon F.C., asking them if they intended to participate in the League.

POPULAR PROPOSAL

A popular proposal was made by the annual open competitions organised by the Association. He said that in the past it was customary for one match to be played on one green each evening. This meant that if a person wanted to watch the games, he could only see one.

If he were to find this match disappointing, he would have no time to go and see another. Mr. Sherriff therefore suggested that clubs should be asked how often they could allow the Association to make use of their greens so that more than one match could be arranged for that green each day. Anyone interested in the competitions thus could go to one green and see several matches being played.

This proposal was agreed to by the meeting.



H.R.H. the Duke of Kent, above, will be the patron of the Coronation Regatta which will be held in Torbay this coming yachting season.

COLONY BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

CONCLUDING TIES ARRANGED

FULL PROGRAMME

At a meeting yesterday of the Sub-Committee appointed to conduct the Colony championships, the quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals of the Open Badminton events were arranged so as to conclude by March 26. It is hoped to stage all the matches on one court, which will, if possible, be neutral to all competitors.

The following is the programme arranged:

Wednesday, March 10.—Men's Singles (Quarter-Finals):—P. H. Wong v. K. S. Liew; C. E. Chung v. P. K. Hui; T. C. Lee v. A. L. Fisher and J. J. Ong v. M. A. Oliveira.

Tuesday, March 16.—Mixed Doubles (Semi-Finals):—P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo v. L. A. Carvalho and Miss C. Silva; S. A. Gray and Miss A. Mackenzie v. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva.

Wednesday, March 17.—Men's Doubles (Quarter-Finals):—P. H. Wong and C. E. Chung v. A. M. Silva and L. A. Carvalho; F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang v. P. K. Hui and T. C. Lee; K. S. Liew and K. L. Yong v. H. A. Alves and E. de Souza; J. J. Ong and F. Koh v. M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios.

Tuesday, March 23.—Men's Singles (Semi-Finals).

Thursday, March 25.—Men's Doubles (Semi-Finals).

Competitors are notified that there will be no need for them to make applications for shuttlecocks or to appoint Umpires, as the Sub-Committee appointed will handle all arrangements.

The programme each night will commence at 8 p.m. sharp and all competitors are requested to be ready to play on time.

RIFLES WIN H.K. AREA ATHLETICS

Thrilling Race With H.K.S.R.A.

GOUGH WINS OPEN HALF MILE

Exciting sport was witnessed on the Polo Ground yesterday when the Royal Ulster Rifles won the Inter-Unit Area Athletic Championship, beating the Hong Kong Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery, by six points after being two points in arrears until the final event.

The open half mile event attracted many entries and was won by Gough, the Police footballer, who beat Channa Singh of the Police by 15 yards.

The most interesting event of the afternoon was the one-mile relay which was won by the Rifles. Chivers and McCutcheon ran well to give Hamilton a good lead which enabled him to win easily.

During the afternoon the Bands of the Rifles and the Seaforths played selections, and after the sports the prizes were distributed by Mrs. A. W. Bartholomew, wife of His Excellency, Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, the General Officer Commanding.

The following were the results of yesterday's events:—

One Mile Team Race:—1 Rifles, 2 H.K.S.R.A., 3 The Seaforths, 4 Fusiliers, 5 Royal Artillery. Royal Army Service Corps did not compete. (Individual placings:—1st Rfn. Hamilton (Rifles), 2nd L/Cpl. McCutcheon (Rifles), 3rd Gnr. Ahmad Khan (H.K.S.R.A.). Time:—4 mins. 28 1/5 secs.

880 Yards Relay:—1 Rifles, 2 Seaforths, 3 H.K.S.R.A., 4 Royal Artillery, 5 Service Corps, 6 Fusiliers. Time:—1 min. 39 2/5 secs.

Enlisted Boys Race:—(Teams of 4) 1 Seaforths, 2 Fusiliers, 3 Rifles.

Three Quarter Mile Open Relay:—(2—220 yds. 2—440 yds.) 1 Air Force, 2 Hong Kong Police, 3 H.M.S. "Adventure", 4 H.M.S. "Capetown", 5 Kumaon Rifles.

Two Miles Relay Race:—1 Rifles, 2 H.K.S.R.A., 3 Fusiliers, 4 Seaforths, 5 Royal Artillery. Service Corps did not compete. Time:—8 mins. 41 secs.

480 yds Hurdles Relay:—1 H.K.S.R.A., 2 Royal Artillery, 3 Service Corps, 4 Fusiliers, 5 Seaforths. Time:—1 min. 13 2/5 secs.

One Mile Relay:—1 Rifles, 2 Fusiliers, 3 Seaforths, 4 H.K.S.R.A., 5 Royal Artillery. Service Corps did not compete. Time:—3 mins. 43 secs.

Half Mile Open Individual:—1 Sgt. Gough (Police), 2 Channa Singh (Police), 3 L. A. C. Sampson (Air Force). Time:—2 mins. 15 secs.

440 yds Relay:—1 Rifles, 2 Fusiliers, 3 Royal Artillery, 4 Seaforths, 5 H.K.S.R.A., 6 Service Corps. Time:—44 4/5 secs.

Inter Unit Tag-o-War:—Winners:—H.K.S.R.A.

Runners up:—Kumaon Rifles.

Inter Unit Athletic Championship Final Positions

1. Rifles	102	Points
2. H.K.S.R.A.	96	
3. Fusiliers	73 1/2	
4. Seaforths	68 1/2	
5. Royal Artillery	60	
6. Service Corps	25	

NO SPOON SHOOT THIS WEEK-END

As the Royal Navy require all available target accommodation on their range at Stonecatters this week-end, there will be no Spoon & Practice Shoot for members of the Hong Kong Rifle Association.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 28th March 1937, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th March 1937, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hong Kong, 5th March 1937.

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong), on THURSDAY, the 15th day of April, 1937, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1936, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 31st March, 1937 to THURSDAY, the 15th April, 1937, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board.

F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 4th March, 1937.

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

On

Wednesday, the 10th, March, 1937 commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Room,

Duddell Street.

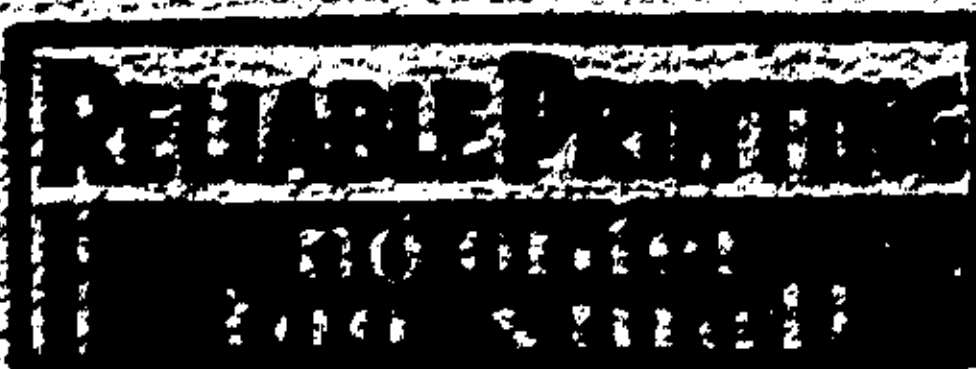
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GENERAL NOTICES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that as from 1st April, 1937 the rates for landing cargo from vessels alongside the Company's wharves and from vessels discharging to the Company's lighters will be increased 20%. A revised tariff will be issued shortly.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 4th. March, 1937.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the Year ending 31st December 1936 at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling at exchange 1/2.7/8 is payable on and after the 1st March 1937 at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 27th February, 1937.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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COMPANY MEETINGS

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
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NOTICE is hereby given that the FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on THURSDAY, 11th March, 1937, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1936 and electing Directors and Auditors.

THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th February to 11th March, 1937, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of The Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 18th February, 1937.

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON
WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, the 12th March, 1937, At 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1936.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 5th March, 1937, to FRIDAY, the 12th March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th February, 1937.

HONG KONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, 22nd March, 1937, at Noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from 12th to 22nd March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1937.

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HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

ISLAND

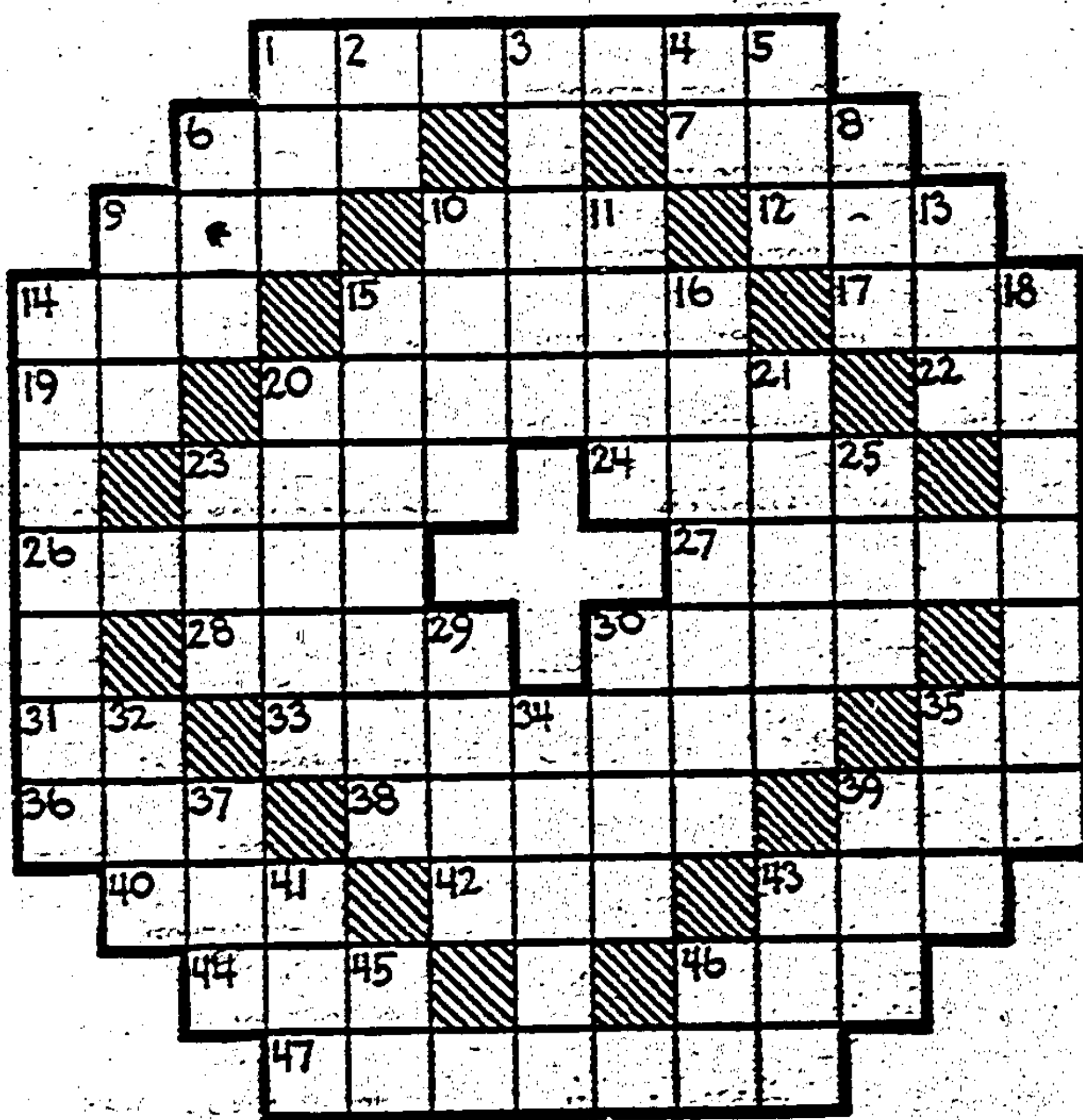
	Feet
Victoria Peak	1,823
Signal Station	1,774
Mt. Parker	1,734
Mountain Lodge	1,725
The Eyrie	1,725
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297

MAINLAND

	Feet
Taimoshan	3,124
Kowloon Peak	1,971

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Judges of games
6-Before
7-Knock
9-Interdict
10-Small island in inland waters
12-Appropriate
14-Conflict
15-Was upright
17-Strike gently
19-Near by
20-Specked
22-Treasurer (abbr.)
23-Box
24-Stain
25-Very fast
27-Like an old woman
28-Dry
30-An Indian
31-Bone (Lat.)
33-On the road (Lat.)
35-You and I
36-Wagon trail

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

32-Breathes convulsively
39-Owned
40-Bow the head
42-Encore
43-Transfix
44-A pastry
46-Obnoxious
47-Entangle

VERTICAL

1-Vase with a foot
2-Myself
3-An imbecile
4-Comparative suffix
5-Sorrowful
6-Part of the head
8-Place
9-Flying mammal
10-Sunk. An agent
17-Small children

VERTICAL (Cont.)

13-Dine
14-A soldier
15-Digging
16-Leaves
18-Dressed with the back
20-Steeple
21-One who receives a gift
23-Mineral spring
25-Bind
29-Dull
30-Small drinking vessels
32-Heavenly body
34-Willow twigs
35-Pale
37-Summit
38-Secreted
41-Expire
43-Chum
45-Type measure
46-Prefix twice

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue.



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Fourteen new or converted munition factories in various parts of the country are fore-shadowed in the Ordnance Estimates.

The Estimates total £16,164,000, which is an increase of £10,173,000 compared with last year.—Reuter.

Air Raid Wardens

BEING RECRUITED IN BRITAIN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

ONE OF THE MEASURES PLANNED BY THE HOME OFFICE FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION DURING AIR RAIDS IS THE CREATION OF A CORPS OF 30,000 TRAINED "AIR DEFENCE GUARDS."

The task of the new corps will be to instruct the population with regard to precautionary measures to be taken during air raids, to distribute gas masks and to render assistance to victims of air raids.

To each member of the corps will be assigned a special district.

Greater London will be sub-divided into roughly 7,500 such districts, since about one-fourth of the corps will be stationed in the metropolis.

The corps of volunteer fire brigades, whose creation was recently announced, will have a strength of more than 200,000.—Trans-Ocean.

DUTIES OF WARDENS

Local authorities are being recommended to organise a service of air raid wardens to supplement the normal resources of the civil authorities for safeguarding the general public in event of an air attack.

Duties of the wardens, of whom some 30,000 will be voluntarily enlisted, will include advising the public on officially-recommended precautions against air raids, assisting in the distribution of respirators, and, in the event of war, taking an active part in helping fellow-citizens during and after an air raid.—British Wireless.

HONG KONG FLAG DAY

A sum of \$1,465.27 was collected by the Ministering Children's League in the Flag Day held on February 27.

Of this amount, \$965.53 was collected in Hong Kong and \$499.74 in Kowloon.

The following ladies assisted in the collection:—

Mesdames Gardener, Houghton, Hayman, Ford, Rogers, Holland, Walsh, Parsons, Fuxon, Kirby, Macfadyen, Luckin, Lewis, Maclean, Ingram, Chester-Woods, Low, Rice-Evans, E. and D. Andrews, Todd, MacKichan, Dullea, Barham, D. and P. Dodwell, C. and J. King, Burkhardt, Stevenson, Johnson, Lee, Fung, Seah, McLay, Crapnell, Bijvanck, S. Bijvanck, Norman, Kennedy, Skipton, Sanger, H. Sanger, Turnbull, Mair, Hourihan, Butterfield, Strellett, Ralston, Woodward, and Bobby Mitchell and Henry Baker. Students from St. Paul's Girls' College, Bellios Girls' School, Mui Fong, St. Stephen's, Diocesan Girls' School and Central British School and Peak School.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY FOOD KITCHEN SCHEME

SIR W. HORNELL'S SPEECH AT ANNUAL MEETING

ESTABLISHMENT OF A Kowloon, to supply daily meals on its behalf. The Society is trying to employ as many of its dependents as possible, in small ways, so that they may feel that they are earning at least to some extent, the allowance from the Society without which they could not live.

This was revealed at the annual meeting to-day, when Sir William Hornell, C.I.E., was in the chair, supported by Mrs. F. C. Hall, President, Mrs. C. N. Jeffries, Vice-President; Mrs. J. Bentley, Hon. Treasurer; Mrs. H. F. Sommer, Hon. Secretary; Mrs. L. B. Holmes, Assistant Hon. Secretary; and Mrs. A. H. Forbes, Mrs. M. W. Swain, Mrs. C. G. S. Perdue, Mrs. M. Nicholson and Mr. P. S. Cassidy.

INTERNATIONAL BROADCAST

Sir William Hornell, addressing the gathering, said:—The Hong Kong Benevolent Society is doing indispensable social duty. No one would have the audacity to question this. But, we citizens of Hong Kong, or many of us, are perhaps a little inclined to take for granted the voluntary performance by others of social obligations. We give our \$10 or \$20, or whatever it may be, and feel that we have done all that could be reasonably expected of us. But, do we realise the extent, the complexity, of the work of this Society? And, do we appreciate the fact that this work is carried out without the burden on the Society's funds of any recurring working annual expenses, save the wages of a coolie, and the cost of printing and posting?

Last year, the Society's expenditure amounted to \$14,791.02. The whole of this amount was spent in relief, save \$380.25, and this included the cost of a new typewriter, a filing cabinet, and additions and repairs to furniture.

TRIBUTE TO LADIES

The work of the Society could not go on, were it not for a number of ladies who realize that there is something which must be done for others and that it is up to them to do it.

There is no room for those who are mildly interested, and are prepared to come down and help when there is nothing else more attractive to do. The work of the Society involves incessant attention. Take, for example, the question of clothing. The Society collects discarded clothing from the charitable, this clothing has to be sorted, cleaned, repaired and altered to fit those who need it. We all know what happens to clothing in Hong Kong, if you merely put it on a shelf and leave it there.

WELL-RUN

I regard the Hong Kong Benevolent Society as one of the few really well run institutions in this Colony. Now it needs very badly some sort of working scheme for supplying food to destitutes, whom the Society considers deserving. The Society ought to be able to run a food kitchen of its own; the necessary work of catering and cleaning being done by some of the Society's dependents. Pending this most desirable development, the Society hopes to be able to make some arrangement with a restaurant in

Ladies and Gentlemen, surely a Society which is performing the essential social service which this Society is performing, and performing it efficiently and with devotion and self sacrifice, ought to be able to raise enough money to enable it to carry out at least the much needed development to which I have just referred. There ought to be more regular annual subscribers. The list is not a very creditable one. I would also suggest that those who are leaving the Colony for good, should become life members — it only costs \$100. There are at least some who do not leave Hong Kong empty.

In conclusion, I feel that I shall only be doing what you would wish me to do. I ask you, to express the gratitude which is due in such abundant measure to the officers and members of the Committee, members of the Financial and Advisory Committee, and voluntary workers who have helped the Society. Mrs. F. C. Hall, the President of the Society for 1937, is shortly going on leave.

All Mrs. Hall's friends know what a capable person she is, her capacity and devotion. We thank her, and thank her most profoundly, but her real reward (though she asks for none) is in the consciousness of a great charitable work unselfishly done, and the unspoken gratitude of the many men, women and children, whom the Society has rescued from despair (applause).

GOOD BY STEALTH
In seconding the adoption of the report and accounts Mr. P. S. Cassidy said: "I think all those who have any knowledge of the work of the society are deeply grateful for the tremendously important work put in by office holders and committee members."

"I think a small section of the community which does know of this work appreciates it very much. I can echo what Sir William has just said of the inadequate list of donors and subscribers, but I am not sure that the public is altogether to blame, for although it is a very good thing to do good by stealth there are times when one should let the public know. The report and accounts were approved."

Mrs. Hall thanked Sir William and Mr. Cassidy for their attendance, and Sir William proposed a vote of thanks to the Committee, Messrs. Jardine Matheson's and the Press, which concluded the business of the meeting.

BRITON LOOKING FOR WORK

Harry Ernest Mulley, aged 44, a British subject, was this morning committed to the House of Detention when he pleaded guilty to being a vagrant in the Colony.

Sergeant Russell said defendant arrived in the Colony yesterday by the Nanning from Tientsin and gave himself up after his arrival. He had come to Hong Kong to look for work.

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Shanghai, To-day.

The tramway strike this morning extended to about 700 fitters and cleaners. Sit-down methods adopted yesterday were abandoned. The full street service is being maintained as the motormen and conductors are still working. —Reuter.

HOLIDAY MATCH FOR M.C.C.

Free Scoring Prior To Lunch

Benalla, To-day.

In a two-day match commenced between the M.C.C. and a Victoria Country team, some bright batting was seen prior to lunch.

Hammond contributed 53 in quick time to the M.C.C.'s total of 138 for four wickets.

Both sides are batting twelve men.—Reuter.

Later.

Two further wickets have fallen with no addition to the score, the M.C.C. now being 138 for six wickets.—Reuter.

DEBTOR'S DEATH IN GAOL

An inquiry was held this morning into the death of a Chinese debtor, How San, who died on Sunday in Victoria Gaol.

Mr. K. Keen was Coroner, and the jury comprised Messrs. J. M. Pinna (Foreman), Pan Kau-leung, and F. K. Patterson.

The deceased went into prison on February 25 to serve a month's detention for debt.

Dr. H. I. Shaw, Medical Officer said the man succumbed to pneumonia and clinical malaria.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE

The forthcoming marriage of Mr. George James White, of No. 233, Nathan Road, and Miss Beatriz Esperance Fernandes, of No. 3 Lock Road, has been announced.

H.K.C.C. CRICKET

The following will represent the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI in a League match against the Club de Recreo to-morrow at 2 p.m. on the Club de Recreo ground:—W. Stoker, F. A. Dunnett, V. C. Bond, R. M. King, A. K. Mackenzie, E. Bathurst, N. P. Fox, W. Wooding, H. A. Murray, J. R. Way, J. E. Potter.

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